### Storm over 'crooked councillors' attack in Clay Cross debate

Conservatives yesterday launched Anthony Kershaw, Tory MP for crooked I call them criminal instead. tter Commons attack on the Stroud, referred to "Bills of Mr Dennis Skinner, Labour MP for rnment's proposal to remove Indemnity" apparently being brought Bolsover, whose brother was a former alifications against local council- in "for crocked councillors". To Clay Cross councillor, challenged Mr who refused to implement the Labour protests, he retored: "If it is Kershaw to repeat his words outside ing Finance Act, 1972. Mr thought undesibale to call them the House.

### New attempt to repay unions £10m

rge Clark l Correspoodent first sbots were fired in mmons yesterday in the lentary battle that is sing over the Governdecision to remove the ification imposed on councillors who refused y out the Housing Finct, 1972, and to prevent

surcharges from being on individuals. main objection put hy vative speakers was thet servative-dominated Lords. I would create e danger-recedent which would age deliberate defiance of

lay that the Government cillors. ek m overturn a decision by the last Parliament by ing £10m rax payments ed by trade unions that rial Relations Act. When hour Government tried to it earlier in the year, the ons rejected the proposal. . Prime Minister indicated

provision in the Finance Bill which will he introduced later this month to embody next Tuesday's Budget proposals.

From the House of Lords yesterday came ominous reports that the Conservative peers and others will seek to throw out the Government's Bill to give relief to the Lahour councillors. It oow seems certain that there will he a constitutional clash hetween the Labour Government in the Commons and the Con-

I would create e dangerrecedent which would age deliberate defiance of w and override an Act in 1933 which was into have ganeral applications. Councillors who commit iduct.

Wilsoo also indicated lay that the Government appeared to be about to bring in for "crooked" councillors.

Ther brought a storm of pro-tests and shouted abuse from the Labour benches, and Mr John Mendelson, Lahour MP for Penistone, asked angrily whether it was in order, under the protection of the privileges of the House, to make an accusation of criminal culpa-Prime Minister indicated day that the Government ow try egain by using a United Kingdom.

cillors at Clay Cross, challenged Mr Kershaw to say the same thing outside the House. Mr Selwyn Lloyd, the Speaker, said he much regretted such an imputation against any hodies inside or outside the House hut his jurisdiction was in the House

What Mr Kershaw bad said was out out of order. Mr Ker-shaw, who remained defiant throughout the episode, retorted grimly: "If it is thought undesirable to call them crooked,

I call them criminal instead."
That led to more protests from Labour, and Mr Neill Kinnock, Lebour MP for Bedwellty. onick, Lebour MP for Bedwellty, objected to an accusation that some of his constituents who were councillors, and who iocluded justices of the peace, were guilty of a crime when they were not. He asked whether there was any rule about what MPs could call necole who were not guilty of people who were not guilty of

that the Conservatives were not. In the case of the Clay Cross willing to let the matter drop, councillors the district auditor,

Mr Dennis Skinner, Labour Mr Kershaw referred to the MP for Bolsover, whose brother Prime Minister's earlier referwas leader of the Labour counence to the £10m tax refund to the unions and said that a grave situation had arisen, constitu-

situation had arisen, constitutionally and legally, which the
House would want to debate.
Earlier Sir Paul Bryan, Conservative MP for Howden, hadreferred to legal advice given to
the Government by Mr Samuel
Silkin, QC, the Attorocy
General, against any reprieve
for the Clay Cross councillors.
IThis was the subject of an
article by Bernard Levin in The
Times on Wednesday.

Mr Short, Leader of the
House, angrily replied: "It will
he a sorry day for Parliament

he a sorry day for Parliament wheo we allow Mr Bernard Levin to determine our proceed-ings." So far 106 Conservative backheochers have signed a Commons motion coodemning the move to absolve the Lahour

councillors. Mr Ian Percival, QC, Conservative MP for Southport, said last night: "This disqualification is the ordinary penelty for e councillor who is surcharged any crime.

The Speaker appealed for calm hut did not revise his earlier ruling. It was obvious manner not sanctioned by law.

who was asked to give his teasons for imposing the sur-charge, said that the councillors deliberately flouted the lew for political purposes.

"It is ebout as hed a case as one can envisage and it is the last kind of case in which one would consider relieving anyone from the ordinary peoelty."

Mr Percival said it led bim to the conclusion that the Labour Government would not have dreamt of setting aside the Local Government Act were it not for the pressures from the Labour Party and the decision of the party's netional executive bahind them. The Liberals, who bad heen crincal of the Govero-ment's move, bave not decided whether to oppose the Indem-nity Bill as a whole; they will prohably propose amendments. A Staff Reporter writes: Mr David Skinner, one of the Cley Cross councillors who has beeo surcharged and disqualified, said yesterday: "If anyone calls me a crook, let bim say it out-side Westminster and they will have to have a by-election in his

Clay Cross response, page3 Parliamentary report, page 6

### New blows for Republicans at state level

The Democrats' victory io the United States dug deeper as the results of state legislature elections came in. The Republicans were left with control in unly five of the 50 states, compared with 16 after the 1972 elections. It was their worst performance since 1938.

Senate results were still being awaited in North Dakota, Oklahoma and New Hampshire, where there were recounts. There was another close race for the governorship of Alaska, where the counts from far-flung villages were still to come in.

#### Sir Alec will return to the Lords as a life peer

Sir Alec Douglas-Home is to return to the House of Lords as a life peer, 11 years after renouncing his hereditary peerage as the Earl of Home when he hecame Prime Minister. Sir Alec said last night that he had accepted Mr Wilson's invitation to become a life peer because "I was pretty clear that I could go on heing useful for a

#### **Doctors' ultimatum**

An uneasy truce io which hospital consultants have given the Government three weeks to change their proposed new contract so that it gives them more independence was reached in three-hour talks hetween the profession and Mrs Castle, Secretary of State for Social Services, yesterday. Page 2

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Henry Stanhope says there is still the will to blow the lid off Ulster; Jo Beresford suggests that the United States is bappy to be forced joto deteote with Cuba.

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Devid Robinson reviews Bill Douglas's two films about his childhood, and Jobo Higgins the new non-romantic treatment of Tales of Hoffmann at the Paris Opéra.

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om Frank Vog

Washington, Nov 7

US Economics Correspondent

President Ford nominated Mr

Andrew Gihson to become head

new and damaging cootroversy over the President's judgment

io personnel matters, as Mr Gibson is still receiving cash

paymeous from the oil company be left last May.

Mr Ron Nessen, the chief

White House spokesman, stated

Booby-trap blast

The Provisional IRA intensi-

fied its retaliation campeign against the British Army yester-

kills two

#### Four die in London blast

Four people were killed and a number injured when a bomb exploded last night in the King's Arms public bouse near Woolwich Barracks, south London. The casualties were taken to Brook General Hospital, Shooter's Hill.

#### Power station hit

One of Britain's newest and most efficient power stations is not operating at peak capacity hecause of a severe shortage of railway wagons. Aberthaw B station near Cardiff has been hit by coal deliveries being restricted hecause of the sudden revival of coal's fortunes in the wake of the oil crisis, and the resulting increased demand for specialized rulling stock.

However, electricity supply chiefs are still optimistic of surviving the winter without power cuts in view of their performance during the coldest October in half a century.

Science: Development of method for screening large populations for genetic

Crime rate: Professor says judicial system may hreak down if wrong approach is taken to youth and violence

Price-fix warning: The Government would not hesitate to hack voluntary price-cutting in shops with statutury pnwers if necessary, retailers were told yesterday

Watergate: The trial judge is to consider taking Mr Nixon's evidence on film in

Greece: The question of whether King Constantine should return as monarch hecomes an election issue 8

Moscow: China calls for non-aggressioo treaty in couciliatory message sent to Russia on anniversary of revolution 9

Derbyshire: Two-page Special Report giving a portrait of the county and the tasks facing it today.

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Clinical Tutors; on upholding the rule of law, from the President of the Law Society.

Leeding articles: Peking and Moscow; Foreign doctors in the NHS; South Africa. Business News, peges 19-27 Stock market: Rumours of an impending rights

issue from e major company helped unsettle equities yesterday. The FT ordinary share index ended 4.2 down at 191.3. Pages 24, 27 Financial Editor: Boots' profits under pressure; Hoover's poor third querter; muted optimism at Debenhams. Page 21 Business features: Industry's case for a relaxention of price cootrols, by Tim Congdon; Adrieooe Gleeson on the thinking behind the bid for FMC.

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Business Diary: Pre-packed meals—the answer to building workers' bealth problems? Jensen sales drive in Jepen. Page 21

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of the Federal Energy Admini- lenge The New York Times

Mr Ford's error on energy post

heeo made because the Presi-

dent wanted urgeotly to replece

Mr John Sawhill as heed of the

energy agency.

The spokesman did oot chal-

stration without having had the usual beckground checks made, the White House admitted today.

This error could well start a new and damaging coorroversy.

Mr Nesseo said the President was oot withdrawing his nomination of Mr Gibson. How-

backing eway from this eppoint-

Parliament Property Sale Room Science Services

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Mr Gibson she

come the new chief of the

will be seized upon by many io Congress who have been highly

critical in the past of White

industry. Mr Sawhill was dismissed by

dent has repeatedly stated his

The New York Times report

### sue of cheap beef keps to enable 8,500,000 old

le to get 40p worth of beef coe operation today and not df-price through the winter next month or next spring. Mr 20 out to post offices within Peart said his ministry was nuth, Mr Peart, Minister of carrying out an investigation of culture, said yesterday.

he week heginning Novem-25, and the scheme will

am confident that the re-increased beef supplies, he to the scheme will coo-bly strengthen the overall , ad for heef and veal and to ease the current diffi-s io the beef market", Mr

en the scheme was first led certain classes of old

> the change was made on tioo that instead of paying be cost the EEC would pay avoidance of a "means will allow well-off pen-

as well as the oeedy, to cap heef at a cost to the that some MPs laughed in symver of £3m. Parliamentary Correspon-writes: Mr Peart and his men from the Ministry of lture and Fisheries came Commons yesterday with ported intention of clearall the uncertainties and over sugar shortages and urpluses. But at the eod of nutes of inteose and angry outog from all parts of the seemed clear that Mr Peart did not under-

what was going on or that

wand was unable to come

th any solutions to the

heef and sugar Minister of Agriculture, I his likable qualities, has been at his best wheo reing uncertainties. Yester-he was out of his depth as This seldom been before. He be the scolleagues burbled on the new "heef regime" or might come some time if Brussels negotiations were

scond ballot

**S**bour post

Sichael Hatfield

he Parliamentary Labour

is to run to a second ballot declarations last night of

e present chairman, Mr lan erdo, a memher of the left-

Tribune group, failed to

te an overall majority io a

coroered cootest, and the

te is now hetween bim and

Cledwyn Hughes, the rightnominee. This third candi-

in the first hallot was Mr

the first ballot Mr Mikardo

ed 142 votes, Mr Hughes and Mr Urwio 37.

hour heckbenchers last

considered that rdo would heve difficulty

naintaining the chairman-

since most of Mr Urwin's

s would probably go instead ir Hughes, a pro-European-ie results of the ballot will

key

Sical Staff

Sirst vote.

As MPs angrily told him that the beef farmers needed a resrulture, said yesterday. fodder stocks and that he would lost pensioners will be able be making a statement as soon

illect them at the post office as possible. There was a gasp of astonishment as he suggested that heef 25, and the scheme will ment as he suggested that heet into force on December lie said in a Common so reply. The issue of swill be for an 18-week up to the end of March tokens, valued at 200 can be used for beef and provided at least another speot on them. About 40 mt of the estimated £30m cost of the scheme will he rom EEC funds.

claimed that one of the reasons for the present low price of fat cattle was the heavy marketing.
It was the Conservatives, he added, who had asked producers to go into heef and out of dairy farming. Mr Nicholas Ridley, from the Tory henches wondered why, if it was possible ensioners but Mr Peart to ban exports of British cattle to be continued without d Kingdom to apply it to breaching Community regulations, it should he so impossible

to han imports of Irish cattle into Britain. Mr Edward Bishop, Minister of State, who was in the firing line at the time, looked so unhappy at that and so incapable of finding an answer of any kind

Mr Peart and his colleagues fared little better over sugar. The burden of the Government's theme, repeated several times, was that, whatever awkward bousewives and supermarkets might he saying, the amount of sugar coming into distribution over the past few months was

up on last year.
Asked to consider rationing,
Mr Gavin Strang, the Parliamentary Secretary, said that
would be a drastic and expensive step and could be approprinte only where there was a serious and prolonged shortage.

Two arrests: Scuffles broke out at Birkenhead last might wheo farmers protested against the landing of Irish cattle (the Press Association reports). Two farmers were arrested and bailed to appear on charges of conduct likely to cause a breach of the peace.

Patience wears thin, page 2 Parliamentary report, page 6

**Bolivian dictator** 

La Paz, Nov 7.—President Banzer marched into the city of

Santa Cruz today with a force

of parachute troops and recap-tured it from rebel Army forces who had revolted against the

Government, the national radio

The President flew to the city of Cochahamba, in the Aodes near Santa Cruz, 540 miles

south-east of La Paz, picked up

the force eod flew them to the

The Government reported

earlier that the attempted coup

was crusbed. It declared a state

of siege to give it broad powers, which include allowing the Government to apply the death

penalty to rehels, stop strikes,

Quito, Nov 7.—A bomb exploded in the Bolivian Embassy

here today, oear the legislative

palace where foreign ministers

of the Organization of American

Stetes will meet tomorrow to dis-

cuss ending the economic blockade of Cuba.—UP1.

and make mass arrests.

rebel city, the radio aaid.

leads troops

against rebels

### Mrs Thatcher to help shadow Chancellor in Tory reshuffle

By George Clark Political Correspondent

After much delay, Mr Heath last night produced a surprisingly small list of Sbadow Cabinet chenges and immediately revived speculation about his future as Leader of the Conhis tuture as Leader of the Con-servative Party: It is clear that in spite of his efforts to do so, the Leader of the Opposition bas been unable to broaden the base of his Shadow Cahinet or to win over his critics.— The reciection of all the retiring members of the 1922 Committee executive, after all

Committee executive, after all the criticisms levelled at them and their chairman, Mr Edward du Cann, by Mr Heath's sup-porters, must be taken as a clear warning that the question of changing the system for electing and confirming in office the party leader is now considered to be a matter of great importance by the broad

base of the party.

The Shadow Cabloer changes:

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, formerly shadow Minister for the Environment and Housing, is to become number two to Mr Robert Carr, the shadow Chan-cellor, with special responsi-bility for financial legisletion

and public expeoditure.

Mr Geoffrey Rippon who, in the last Conservative government, was responsible for nego-tiating the terms of entry into the European Economic Community, succeeds Sir Alec Douglas-Home as shedow Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary. His appointment is a recognition of the importance of having a strong spokesman in the Commons to face Mr Cal-

laghan Mr Paul Channon, formerly shadow Minister for Consumer Affairs, is to take over the en-Affairs, is to take over the environment portfolio from Mrs
Thetcher with the exception of
housing, which will now be the
special responsibility of Mr
Nicholas Scott, MP for Kensington and Cheisea. Mr Timothy
Raison, MP for Ayleshury,
assumes responsibility for consumer affairs and prices.

sumer affairs and prices. Mr Norman St John-Stevas, who has led for the Opposition on education, has been asked to assume responsibility also for

One reason giveo last night for the delay in issuing the list was that Mr Heath had found t difficult to make contect with MPs involved. In view of the remarkable brevity of the list, that seemed an unconvincing explanation. What is more, some Conservative MPs were baffled by Mr Heath's inability to name the second rank of fronthench spokesmen, where more than 18 jobs are at his disposal.

In normal circumstances there would be great competition among backbenchers to be chosen for one of these posts as the first rung on the ladder



Mrs Thatcher, who is to essist Mr Carr in Treasury and economic affairs in the Shadow Cabinet, eating her packed lunch at the Institute of Directors' annual conference yesterday. Conference reports, pages 19 and 22.

rank spokesmen who served him well on the front bench in the last Parliament by leaving them in suspense and telliog them that in future he will hriog backhenchers on to the front bench on an ad hoc hasis according to the subject heing debated. That has left many aspiring MPs in e state of un-certainty and coofusion.

The full-list of the Shedow Cabinet, which is increased in size from 21 to 22, is as follows: Mr Heath, leader of the party; Mr Peyton, shadow Leeder of the House; Mr Pym, agriculture; Mr Raison, consumer affairs; Mr P. Walker, defence; Mr St John-Stevas, education and the arts. Peter Blaker. Mr Prior, employment; Mr P. Sir Geoffrey Howe's call, page 4

mrs thatcher, interchal actions and public expeoditure; Mr P. Thomas, Wales; Lord Carriogtoo, leader of the Opposition peers; Mr Whitelaw, chairman of the party (devolution); and Lord Hallsham of St Marylehone, shadow minister without specific during duties.

Io the 1922 committee elecend Mr Cranley Onslow. The treasurer, Mr Godmao Irvine, defeated his challenger, Mr Peter Blaker.

to ministerial office. But on this occasion Mr Heath has said that he will not be able to complete these appointments until next Monday at the earliest.

Mr Heath has epparently antagonized many of the secondrank spokesmen who served him well on the front hench in the last Parliament hy leaving must be seed that the services in the last Parliament hy leaving the services in the corresponding that the vironment; Mr N. Scott, bousing; Mr Rippoo, foreign and common wealth affairs; Sir Keith Joseph, home effairs; Mr Reselone, industry and trade; Mr Buchananh, control of the service in the service

non the two vice-chairmen, Sir John Hall and Mr Charles Morrison, successfully resisted the challenge of Sir John Eden

day when e boohy-trepped land mioe exploded oear an electricity transformer in co Tyrone killing two soldiers and injuring seven members of the security Intelligence experts had been

more soldiers

From Christopher Walker

fearing e vicious response from the IRA after the shooting of Hugh Coney, the republicate who was part of a mass breakout ettempt from the Maze prison at Loog Kesh earlier to the Last night the Provisionals

claimed responsibility for the latest revenge killing, which occurred near the village of Stewartstown, a few miles from Mr Copey's bome town of Coalisland.

The land mine exploded as the soldiers were patrolling an close to where workolen were repairing damage caused by an exolosion at the trans-former late oo Wednesday. Whitelaw warning, page 2

Ulster security, page 16

#### ment, be noted that it was up to Congress alooe to determine hope that oil conservation can be achieved by voluntary action. Still the greatest French impressionist...ever

nomination of Mr Gibson. How-ever, io a comment that openly much tougher oil con-iodicates that the President was servation measures. The Presi-



Worth Performes Ltd., the Tharner Road, Lord of War (Rt). Tell of any active

### Sponsors stop supporting tennis and golf

their commitments to show jumping, and with the Viyellachampionship.

out of senior tennis within the duty slapped on us in April in Britain, providing some and of oext few weeks; Dewar, the and this has to be balacced. 1100.000 in prizes, Rothmans from whisky firm, are to reassess I think that a lot of companies seved e similar amount by pull-hocke their financial involvement in will oow be reassessing their lug out of motor racing. They meuts.

By a Staff Reporter the game next year; W. D. & spending on projects of this expect to save more than Sponsorship of sport suffered H. O. Wills will decide by the kind.

Sponsorship of sport suffered H. O. Wills will decide by the kind.

They will body blows yesterday with Rother of this month their future "We all hope that next week's continue to support their smaller. body blows vesterday with Roth-mans of Pall Mall deciding to io sport; and Benson and mans of Pall Mall deciding to io sport; and Benson and Budget may give some help, but ler tournaments.

Hedges are known to be distributed by the consider tournaments and to reconsider enchanted with their orange situation it is not surprising that est in show immo

Carrington group withdrawing already lost the patronage of their support of the Profes-sional Golfers' Association sored teams missing from its grand prix circuit in 1975. Other companies will he re-riewing their position in tela-are faced with a oudget cut"

Rothmans, may have some spon-withdrawal are the British hard sored teams missing from its court champiooship at Bourne viewing their position in tela-tion to sport, particularly in wiew of the nation's economic troubles. Green Shield Trading Stamps may follow Rothmans had a 33 per cent increase in The main nave no immediate plans for cutting their aid to golf, amateur football or any other sport with which they are had a 33 per cent increase in The main that we associated.

golf championship. companies are heginning to cut back. The casualties of Rothmans's

mouth and the Hoylake open eyeot. The firm have no imme-

year, is to be reevaluated. Their £45,000 staked in golf remains nochanged, as does their 150,000 in the Isthmian Football League.

Two brighter notes were struck yesterday with the an-nouncemeuts of financial help for Scottish yachtlog from the Tomatin Distillers Company, and of a three-year contract from Benson and Hedges fur Hockey Association tourna-

Mr king said that their interest in show jumping, with prize money reaching £85,000 this

### Consultants call truce in dispute over proposed contracts

By Joho Roper Medical Reporter

An uneasy truce in which hospital consultants bave given the Government three weeks to change their proposed contract so that it gives them more independence was reached yester-day between Mrs Castle, Secretary of State for Social Setvices, and the profession.

Mrs Castle said after the three-hour meening that her policy had never included the abolition of private practice or the imposition of a state moovpoly in the hoapital sarvice.

"I confirmed to the prufes-aion that it has never been and is not the Government's intecis not the Government's intertion to impose a full-time
salaried service in the hospital
service", she said. "But clearly
the Government believes that
the coosultants' contract for full-time service should be re-

nult-time service should be renegotiated in a way to make
whole-time service more attractive than it is now."

The Government wished to
move towards a full-time service oo a voluotary basis, she
said. The Owen committee
(which is discussing the issue) would be prepared to listen to any points and it was boped that the discussions could be completed by the end of this month. Mrs Castle said that phasing out of pay heds would be included in the discussions. unofficial industrial

and the council of Hospital Con-sultants and Specialist Association, meeting at the weekend, the profession would continue discussions " to test how far the government side is prepared to meet the profession's often-

stated point of view". He added that unless agree ment was reached in principle by the end of the month they had made clear to Mrs Castle that they reserved the right to advisa the profession about future action. The profession had been un-

about a state monopoly; and the imposition of a salaried

Making it clear that it was

easy for some time about tha deliherations of the working party, he said, and were even more worried about the latest ptoposals.

Dr Clifford Astley, chairman of the medical services commit-tee, said he would ask the committee on Saturday not to en dorse industrial action while talks are io progress. Mrs Castle had asked them to call off guer-rilla action and they had agreed that that ought to be dooe.

Mr Terence Beatson, chair-man of the coosultaots' associaaction taken by some consultants was, she thought, the result of widespread misunderstanding resulting from talk

#### Opera house closes for duration of dispute

There are to be no further performances by the English National Opera Company at the London Coliseum until a settle-ment has been reached in the dispute with stage and technical staff who helong to the National Association of Theatrical and

The dispute started when 46 of the stage staff were dismissed on Tuesday over the abandonment of a performance of The Bassarids on the previous Thurs-The rest of th estaff bas sioce been on strike.

People who telephoned to the theatre heard a recorded message telling them that book-iogs for later performances and for the Christmas production of Peter Pan are being taken as usual. So far three performances have been cancelled

Radio staff dismissed: Mr John

Whimey, managing director of Capital Radio, whose financial situation has led to the decision

to dismiss 28 of the staff, said

vesterday that discussions had

been taking place for some time to find a way out of the station's Capital Radio is the London commercial entertainment station. The redundancies would close its news operation, and that service would then come by direct land line from London

A spokesman for the Associa-tion of Cinematograph, Tele-vision and Allied Technicians said union members decided at a meeting yesterday not to accept tedundancies, or pro-gramme changes without full agreement with the union.

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the Invisible Invaders.

windows.

will your pocket.

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thieves again.

Invaders.

keeps noise out.

Cutout those draughts

It doesn't take much to seal all

those gaps around doors and

Your family will immedi-

ately feel the benefit, and so

Insulate your roof

Your roof is another place it

You'll be surprised how little it costs to put in a 3" layer

of glass libre-and how much it will help to keep your elec-

Lag your tank

From about £4, you can lag your hot water tank with a 3'

thick jacket, and beat the heat

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enough to pay for the jacket in

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Windows provide yet another

escape route for the Invisible

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effectively keeps your hear in,

but as an added advantage

about three months.

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certain you make the most of

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that clean and simple electric

You'll want to ensure that

Don't let those Invisible

How can you keep them at

Invaders steal your heat and

Insulate your walls

by cavity in-filling

Much of the heat you pay for

is snatched out by the Invisi-

ble Invaders through the walls

Having wall cavities filled

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one fifth—that's a valuable

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a day, and there's little mess-

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central heating provides.

#### New step in screening for genetic disorders

Science Correspondent An important atride in the their own statement and not development of a method for a joint ooe with the Departscreening large populations for ment of Health, Dr Derek Stevenson, secretary of the British Medical Association, said that, subject to the approa wide range of genetic disorders has been made by a spacial unit of the Medical val of the Central Committee for Hospital Medical Services Research Council.

It carries vital implications

for genetic counselling of parents at risk of having disabled children and for early diagnosis of antenatal defects; for monitoring for disaases, including some cancers, induced by damage to cells by pollution from heavy metals such as lead and cadmium or radioactive fall-out and exposure to X-rays for detecting infertility origina tiog in a genetic abnormality and other conditions.

The advance embraces the results of research from teams involving about 150 doctors. scientists and technicians at the council's clinical and popula-tion cytogenetics unit, Edin-hurgh, in collaboration with the Department of Human Generics, Edinhurgh University. Methods for fingerprinting the pattern of chromosomes, and the genes they carry, within cells are among the discoveries that have been absorbed by one of the groups working on a so-called automated pattern recognition

In principle it consists of a computer - coorolled electron microscope that makes an analysis of a tiny speck of blood or skin to extract the information needed to decide whether an aboormality exists. This process of chromosomal analysis is a long and painstaking joh, Developments of a fast pro-cedure for routine diagnosis might transform a part of medi-cine in which difficulties are

increasing. Tha research centre, which is one of the leading ganetic re-search groups in the world, was established originally to assess the effects of radiation exposure in man, with particular emphasis on causes of leukae-mia. Some early dramatic dis-coveries identified the importance of abnormalities initiated

A major part of ill health is attributed, either directly or indirectly, to the consequence of genetic make-up and of inherited or otherwise acquired ahnormalities in genetic



Mr John Henson at the plough pulled by oxen on his farm near Guiting Power, Gloucestershire.

Demonstrations against the import of Irish cattle may deteriorate into greater disruption and violence unless the Government acts soon

#### Patience wears thin for protesting Welsh farmers

From Trevor Fisblock Holyhead

Thare is still enough good humour, common sense and respect for the law among Welsh farmers to prevent their anger from being translated into really large-scale disruption and violence. But as winter's grip hardens, their patience wears thinner by the day.

"A lot of farmers are at the end of their tether", Mr George Beatson, a young Anglesey farmer, said yesterday, "and if farmer, said yesterday, and the Fred Peart carries on fiddling while Rome hurns some of them will not he able to hold their anger down. They will lash out. The militant minority have so far been largely restrained by the moderate majority, and I count myself as a moderate.

"But some farmers are going to the wall. Their cattle food is running out and the hard weather is coming. They feel they have nothing to losa in doing something really drastic. They are hitter and angry men and understandably so. For them and the Government, time is running out."

hundreds of farmers who have supported demonstrations in Holyhead this week. "Welsh farmers are usually conserva-tive men with a deep respect for the law and for convention", he said. "There must be something terribly wrong surely when men like us demonstrate io the streets."

This week Holyhead has rung we have to sell at a loss. The to the shouts and cheers of harvest was terrible and hay is farmers; some bave fought with policemen guarding the docks, it. For many farmers there is some were in the unruly crowd beaten back by policemen wieldiog trunchaons, some took part in the blocking of the London to Holyhead railway line.

One of the farmers who took part in the demonstrations "I never imagined I would be out demonstrating on the streat. I nsed to think 'demos' were something you saw on television. I reckon many farmers are really rather timid and sby men. Yet here they are confronting the police. hlocking railways and even lying down on the line.

"But these are desperate times. I am up in the hills and I have nor enough fodder to feed the cattle after Christmas. I shall have to have them slaughtered and tighten my belt until the spring.

"I do not like making a fuss, I feel bad about keeping all those policemen from a warm bed. But making a scene is the only way I can work off my frustration and bring it home to those bunglers in Westminster that something must be dooe."

Mr Peter Rogers, who farms 180 acres in Anglesey, said: Anger has changed everything. The Government urged us to get out of milk production and into beef. Then they messed it up. The market has collapsed, our guarantees have gone and harvest was terrible and hay is up to £80 a ton, if you can get it. For many farmers there is the real prospect of bankruptcy.

" My father-in-law remembers farming in the depression. He says things are much worse for us now. I want Irish farmers to understand that we nothing against them. But we are victims of colossal mismanagement and we bave to find some way of hitting back."

Although Welsh farmers, apart from routine grumbles, bave a long tradition of being quiet men, there are historical precedents for direct action. In the last century the tithe wars caused trouble in the countryside and in the 1840s the Rebecca rioters, farmers guised as women and calling themselves the Daughters of Rebecca, tore down tollgates in their rage at social and econo-mic conditions.

"Something must he done", a farmer said with great em-phasis. "And if action is not taken soon to help us I can see that a few men will take matters into their own hands and do something that even they might later regret. We are peace-lov-ing meo. Bot this situation is deperately serious."

Our Political Staff writes: Mr Emlyn Hooson, QC, Liberal spokesman on agriculture, has written to the Prime Minister asking him to intervene effec-tively and decisively to end the

crisis in the livestock farming industry and suggesting three possible solutions

The first would be the intro-duction on a temporary basis of the EEC intervention price The second possibility would

be the introduction, again on e temporary hasis, of a guaranteed price system. That would operate until March 1, when Mr Hooson hoped agreement would be reached with the EEC on a new system.

The third solution would be

the addition of a supplement to the slaughter premium, in order that the overall level of returns to producers should "achieve percentage parity with the remaining members of the

Police watch: More than a hundred uniformed policemen ware on duty at Birkenhead yesterday when 500 farmers from all parts of north-west England and North Wales demonstrated against imports of Irish cattle (The Press Association reports.)
Meat imports from the Irish

Repoblic have been hanned at Swansea, and a decision is expected today on a similar move at Barry docks, in South Wales. Carmarthenshire farmers sen

a letter to the Prime Minister yesterday criticizing ministers who opposed their demonstrations bur bad supported protests by miners and power workers in the spring.

#### Sir Alec willreturn to Lords as a life peer

By Our Political Staff Sir Alec Douglas-Home is return to the House of Lo as a life peer after renound his hereditary peerage when became Prime Mioister October, 1963.

The announcement of his peerage was made from Downing Street last night barony bas been confe upon him in recognition of many years of outstan public service as a membe both Houses of Parliament minister and as

Minister.
Although it has been t donal to offer an earldon a former Prime Minister, he ceases to be a member o House of Commons, that w not be possible in the cas sir Alec. The Peerage 1963, precludes the subseq conferment of a heteditary age upon anybody who has claimed inherited titles u

that Act.

The formal recommend to the Queen for the coment of a life peerage or Alec was made by the !
Minister with the full !
ledge and approval of Mr !
Sir Alec did oot stand candidate for the Kinross West Perthshire constituen the October general election When Sir Alec became F Minister, in succession a Macmillan, in October, 196 was the fourteeoth Ear Home. He disclaimed al titles and contested the by tion at Kinross on Novemb

As Lord Home he had Secretary of Stata for Fo Affairs from July, 1960, Lord President of the Co and leader of the Hous Lords from 1957. He was 5 tary of State for Commoon Relations from 1955 to 196 As Lord Dunglass, be MP for South Lanark from to 1945, when he succeed the earldom. Sir Alec was P mentary Secretary to Mr N Chamberlain 1935-40 Under-Secretary at the Fo Office in the 1945 caretaker ernment. He was Minist State at the Scottish O

A Staff Reporter writes Alec Douglas-Home expl last night that be had de to accept the Prime Mini invitation to hecome a lifa because "I was pretty clear I could go on being usefu

Speaking in his flat in sington, Sir Alec said: thought it was a bit early i myself off eotirely from tics. Situations are comir in the next year or two the bound to interest me a power to Scotland and the tion of Britain's place in E Broadly speaking, the rea that I may he able to myself useful by remaining the political scene, though of course, as actively as i

Sir Alec has not yet de what title to take, and in to talk the matter over the Lyon King of Arms chief herald in Scotland. Sir Alec agreed that wheel had come full c But oor just for me. \
I succeeded to the original in 1951, Scottish uatioo was rampant, and my appointment as Minister of at the Scottish Office w. deal with it. Now bere taking a title agaio, and tish nationalism is rangain."

Keith Turner, aged 2 Windburgh Drive, Cramlic Northumberland, accused murdering his mother. Gaorgina Turner, aged 45,

#### hy damage of the chromosomes. Broadcastiog, the news station, for which Capital pays £98,000 Research was extended ioto Mr Beatson bas been one of many other aspects of chromo-somes in influencing health and disease.

#### Snatched baby found in lift at hotel

Lara Devlio, aged nine months, who was snatched from outside a London post office yesterday, was later found un-harmed in a lift at the Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool Street, City of London. The girl, of The Warren, Stratford, Loodon, who was taken away at Forest Gate, was later reunited with her

The police believe that the abductor pushed her in her per-ambulator from Romford Road, Forest Gate, a few hundred yards to Manor Park station before ahandoning the peramhulator and catching a train to Liverpool Street.

Detectives were trying to trace a boy aged between 10 and 12 with shoulder-length hair and wearing a blue anorak and flared jeans who was seen near the post office. They also think that a girl aged about 12 is re-sponsible for taking two habies in east London recently.

### Mr Whitelaw says that Ulster civil war would drag in British cities

British cities would be drag-ged in if full-scale civil war ever broke out in Northern Ireland, Mr Whitelaw, the Con-servative Party chairman, said yesterday.

Provisional IRA for the death fulled this week during a mass breakont from the Maze prison (Christopher Walker; writes from Belfast).

Mr Whitelaw, formerly Secretary of State for Ulster, said that withdrawal of British troops from the province would be a "grace" considerable moral disbecause of the loss of life it would cause.

He said: "Anyone imagines you could have a major conflict in Northern Ire-land without its spreading to Glasgow and Liverpool is living In a fool's paradise." Speaking to the Foreign Press

Association at a lunch in London, he said that a separate Northern Ireland would increase claims for independence in Scot-land and Wales.

Ulster alert: Security forces throughout Ulster were on full alert yesterday in case of fur-ther acts of retaliation by the

Death notices say he was a

Death notices say he was a lieutenant in A Company of the Provisionals' East Tyrone battalion. It is widely feared that there will he emotional reaction at the elaborate funeral planned for the dead man,

In republican areas through-out Ulster, hitter and angry pro-tests against his death have continued. Many Catholics are convinced that he was unarmed when challenged and shot by soldiers in a guard hut just outside the Maze compound. Some businesses have already

closed, and closures on a wider scale are planned in Roman Catholic districts. In Belfast many hakers, factories, a brew-ery and shops in the republican areas will remain closed all day today. The planned strike will not be as crippling as those staged in the past by various loyalist groups

Thronghout yesterday, hostile crowds gathered in these areas and many cars were hijacked. Security experts are only too aware that by tradition the full-scale reaction to a controversial death such as that of Mr Coney does not take place until after the funeral.

Republicans have also heen angered by government state-ments that some detainees at the Maze were taken to hospital after disturbances that followed

Yesterday morning, Mr Merlin Rees, the Secretary of State, held a special meeting at Stormont to review the situation at the Maxwell and the M of the Army and police. One question being urgently discussed is how a 65-yard tunnel came to be hull without heing discovered by the up-to-date sur-veillance equipment in use.

#### Double murder char

sister, Karen, aged 18. was mitted in custody until Tuesday by magistrates at I Northumberland, yesterday

### Mr Scargill rejects plea on pit productivity scheme

By Paul Routledge Lahour Editor The hitter propaganda war

ductivity scheme became mora heated yesterday.

Mr Leonard Clarke, presi-deot of the moderate Notting-hamshire area, which bad defied an executive recom-mendation and called on the men to accept the deal, asked Mr Arthur Scargill, Marxist president of the Yorkshire area, to drop his opposition to the coal board's package on which the miners vote next week. His appeal was rejected week. His appeal was rejected

week. His appeal was rejected out of hand.

As the two area presidents were arguing the merits of the productivity scheme, leaders of the 6,000 members of that power group of the National Union of Mineworkers also decided to work against the executive recommendation to reject the NCB proposals and urged other miners to ignore "politically motivated people".

Their decision coincided with a strong attack from Mr Wilfred Miron, a member of the National Coal Board, on left-wing members of the union.

In his appeal to the York-shire leader. Mr Clarke said: "I hope that on reflection eyen at the eleventh bour you will urge your members to vote for acceptance of the incentive scheme which we have negotiated with the coal hoard, and which I helieve to be in the best interests of the country, the Labour Party. which we both support, and cveryhody employed in all the pits in Britain."

By Paul Routledge
Lahour Editor
The hitter propaganda war hetween militant miners' leaders and those who support the National Coal Board's productivity scheme hecame mora heated yesterday.
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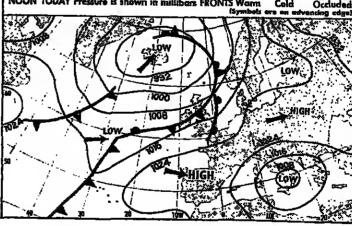
Yorkshire NUM leadera are nounting an immense publicity exercise to persuade the coal-field's 65,000 pitmen to vote against the packaga. Large posters hearing a hlack cross drip-ping with hlood, and arguing that there will be "more blood on the coal" if the incentive on the coal" it the incentive proposals are implemented, are heing distributed to the pits, and an intensive campaign of leaflets, pithead meetings and mass gatherings of branch officials are heing held in advance of the hallot on November 13-14.

Mr Miron said the real objection to the scheme, which had not yet heeo voiced, was that it would diminish the power of the militant Marxist minority within the miners' union to wage industrial strife. He denied that the incentiva scheme would mean wide-spread pit closures.

"The sahoteurs of the social contract" could not cover

contract" could not overthrow the country's orderly way of life through the parliamentary ballot box, be said, "so these latter-day Lenins within the NUM, small though they may he in numbers, are apparently setting the stage for another confrontation and strike.

### Weather forecast and recordings





East Anglia, Midlands: Mostly clondy with slight rain at times; hill fog patches especially early and late; wind 5W, moderate or fresh; max temp 11°C (52°F).

Channel Islands, SW England, SW ales: Mostly cloudy, rain or drizzle at times; widespread hill fog and some coastal patches; wind 5W, moderate or fresh; max temp 12°C (54°F).

E, NW, central S England, N wales: Cloudy with rain at times and hill fog; mostly dry later, perbaps with clear intervals; wind SW, moderate or fresh: max temp 10°C (50°Fi.

Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyil, N Ireland: Cloudy with rain at first, moderate in places; bright or clear intervals later, isolated showers;

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f. fair; r, rain; s, sun; an, snow,

wind SW. moderate or fresh; temp 10°C (50°F).

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St George's Channel: Wird S fresh or stroog; sea moderate rough.

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Affairs Correspondent

itain takes the wrong b to youth and violeoce unal justice system may loog run break down, or F. H. McClintock, nr of Criminology at gb University, said io gh last night.

if we fail to tackle these is withio the community and rely too beavily punitive or reformative, col or prevent such be-

warning from Professor ock, acknowledged as the world's leading excriminal violence the young, was in a leche outcome of many detailed research in and America. It comes ne when there is fierce about the effectiveness eot methods of dealiog

king to the Edinburgh of the lostitute for the be said: "The often-sserioo that the younger-tion is identified as both

criminal and violent, when offenders convicted of robbers examined carefully in relation to crime data in police returns and the demographic data on the population is found to be a pub*lic myth* ".

Although the young bad much higher conviction rates than the adult population, and though such rates had been increasing io recent years, still no more than six young people were in-volved each year for every 100 in the male population. The chance of a young male becoming a youthful recidivist was less than 4 per cent.

But that was not to deay the serious crime rate. The increase in recorded violence during the last 13 years was 288 per cent in England and Wales and 173 per cent in Scotland.

"We have estimated". Pro-fessor McClintock said, "that more than 40 per cent of the recorded crimes of violence and robberies are committed by young people between the ages of 10 and 20, whereas if the incidence of their criminal violence was similar to that expected on the basis of population then they bear of population. for only 15 per ceot of all recorded crimes of violence".

The vast majority of young moune and speed part of mention then they should account leisure in different neighbourhoods or central shopping areas", Professor McClintock said.

bad no previous convictions for violent crime, although a sub-stantial minority had previously been convicted of there and other offences against property.

They came mainly from poor neighbourhoods, and not infrequently bad a bistory of conflict with parents, schoolteachers and employers.

There was some evidence that a very amail proportion of such offenders was gravitating to-wards more serious and semiprofessional kinds of crime. But on the whole, Professor McClintock said, they appeared to be too disorganized to be poteotial recruits for the pro-

fessional adult criminal class. A substantial number of the offenders came from and com-mitted their offences in "tran-sitional" and economically de-prived neighbourhoods, which had always in the past tolerated a considerable amount of rough-

ness and physical violence.

"But more frequently today than a decade ago the youth from the poor urban areas are mobile and speed part of their leights in different might be to the property of the property

#### blence at -in schools latters a

larming picture of school regnancies, violence and rinness among pupils lo ebeosive schools has been

d by some teachers who aiust all-in education. comprehensive were seen by the lower as a passport to a middle life, but that dream bad shattered by reality. Very emprehensive schools had ed a baianced social mixand the trademarks of

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it continues: "Measured the dream, the reality is Physical violence, high ices of trusocy le delinquency, uncleanh-drunkenness, under-age ancies and other unfor-concountants of lower-ife persist."

the cane: "Glib theorid pseudo-scientists" are dating teachers and mak-teir work more difficult, reoce Casey, general secof the National Associai Schoolmasters, writes in association's magazine, ew Schoolmaster.

theorists tried to confer old dignity of science on tion. Pastoral responsmight be hetter dis-d if we restored to the r the flexible stick with ooked bandle".

#### :her stabbed

Gillian Jones, aged 31, programmer will milworth Walk, Bedford, f stab wounds after being ed by a man yesterday teaching a class of en in a Bedford school.

### Rebels at Clay Cross attack proposals

Despite the parliamentary storm over their activities, the former couocillors of Clay Cross, Derbysbire, are entirely uore-pentent about their attempts to bring about socialism in one

urban district.
Although Mr Crosland is accused of unconstitutional leniency towards them, some at least of the councillors have criticized bis proposals and attacked the latest report of the

district auditor. Mr David Skinner, one of the 11 surcbarged and disqualified councillors and a brother of Mr Denis Skinner, Labour MP for Bolsover, said last night that Mr Crosland's attitude was disgraceful

His view of the auditor's report was that it entitled all the councillors to a new trial. "The anditor says bere that his predecessor was not able to take into account the full rent of this new information that has come out."

We regarded the removal of his disqualification with little enthusiasm although he said that if the Clay Cross Labour Party wisbed bim to stand again be would. He appealed last night to all Labour Party supporters and trade unionists not porters and trade unionists not to contribute to any fund to pay

off the £7,000 surcharges.
The latest auditor's interim report, which may be completed by Christmas, implies that another £100,000 at least may be chargeable to the former councillors for their handling of other council affairs, in addition to the dispute over the Housing Figure Act.

raoging from an increase in the labour force from 39 to 88 over the three years to 1974 and the payment of television licences to nld age pensioners.

The conncillors were enraged at suggestions in the Commons that they were "crooked". Both David and Mr Graham Skinner rebate to which the tenants of Clay Cross would have been enitled, Mr Skiner said. "We shal consult our lawyers to see what can be done in the light at suggestions in the commons that they were "crooked". Both Clay Cross would have been enitled, The things that they were "crooked". Both Clay Cross would and Mr Graham Skinner itled, and Mr Graham Skinner one who made the suggestion outside Westminister.

### Slimmers owed £150,000 by group, meeting told

The My Fair Lady Slimming Clinic Group has a deficiency of £400,000, It was stated at a meeting at Winchester House, City of London, yesterday, Hundreds of women who signed on with the group are nwed about £150,000, it was stated, and as unsecured creditors they bave no chance of being

repaid.

Many people left the meeting of Mumco (UK), one of the main companies of the group, before the end. "We are wasting our time here", one said.

Mr Eric Lim and Mr Victor Nyssen, the directors, faced critical questions from those who stayed.

was run by a separate company and every company is now insol-vent, it was said. Mr Lim said the group's only

capital bad been £10,000 paid for shares. The £250,000 spent on opening and equipping clinics came from cash provided by customers. The whole of the £250,000 had been lost, Mr Lim said. It was doubtful if much could be realized from the company's

Adverse economic conditions were purely to blame for the group's failure, the directors said.

The group bad slimming passed by the sbarebolders for clinics at Leeds, Manchester, Liverpool, Heswall, Wembley, liford and Bromley, and three London branches. Every branch

#### ımden council may ild office block

ah most vociferously op-to further office develop-may itself decide to build y office block in Eustoo next to St Paocras Station. ite is part of more than 50 which the council is bop-buy from British rail. st of it is a wilderness of

viaducts and semi-derelict trial buildings long over-or redevelopment. It con-of three main areas; en Lane, Elm Village and rs Town which lies be-I Euston Road and St Pan-

riations have not yet position in view of its opposition ed the question of the to commercial property to be paid. The council developers.

has established a group of archiaden council the Loodon tects and planoers, who have a most vociferously opthe surrouding area inviting views on how the land should

> The circular states that, because of the high costs of acquiring the land, the site facing Euston Road will probably have to he used "either for a major public hulding, paid for by the Government, or for offices to offset the cost of the housing,

or perhaps for both ". The major public building the council has in mind is the new Hospital.

Hough British Rail has of an office huilding would ised the land to Camden, place the council in an invidious

#### **Budget debate** extended

Th. Government has agreed, under Opposition pressure, to extend oext week's Budget debate in the Commons from two days to three. Mr Healey will open his Budget at about 3.30 pm on Tnesday, and the debate will continue until 10 pm on Thursday.

Commons TV debate The House of Commoos will debate the broadcasting and televising of its proceedings before the Christmas recess, Mr Short, Leader of the House, announced yesterday.

#### Director to retire

Mr Val May, director of the Bristol Old Vic for 13 years, is to retire, it was announced vesproperty terday. He directed 60 produc-

### rmingham birth rate still above average

olingham's birth rate reabove the national average ugh it has been dropping he past six years. Figures that the city has 14.3 with the provisional for Eugland and Wales

city's annual abstract of

abstract states: "As es it may be expected that actions in family size, stan-of accommodation and is and the indigenous speeded up, so that for a time speeded up, so that for a time coloured people living in Birmity defined, and as the rapid succession; family-planicinus become increasingly ming customs are different.

The minimum estimate of coloured people living in Birmity defined, and as the rapid succession; family-planingham is 110,050 nut of a population of 1,004,000.

hlurred, the need for special identification will diminish.

" At the moment, singling out the groups for separate statistical treatment is justifiable, if ooly on the ground that each in 1.000 population com- tends to bave a different set of social requirements.

"Crude birth rates amoug the largely immigrant groups are at present undoubtedly tics, published yesterday, higher than in the indigenous a drop in births to West community. This is attributable n parents but those to to probably three factors: the from the Indian sub- groups almost certainly contain remained almost relatively large numbers of relatively large numbers of women of fertile age; immigration teods to interrupt, or delay, ion of residence here in marital relations, with the result that wheo such relations are of accommodation and commit status between the family size is likely to he

factor is likely to diminish as the volume of immigration is reduced and, in respect of the third, it seems reasonable to suppose that there will be an increasing tendency for the immigrant groups to emulate the family-planning customs of the host commonity. For these reasons, the birth rates should not be assumed to persist at so bigh a relative level indefinitely into the future."

Of the city's 303,426 schoolchildren registered last year, 34.097 were "wholly non-European " compared with 20,016 six years ago and 30,678 in 1972. West Indians form the largest number, with 7,183, followed by Indiaos, 4,789, and Paki-stanis, 3,822.

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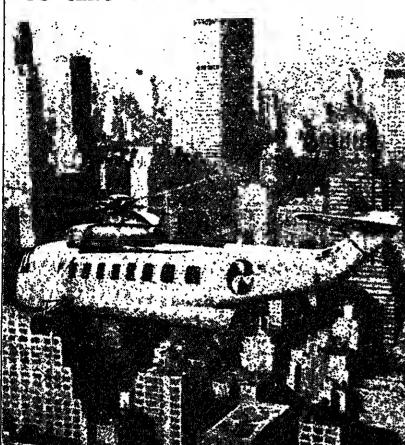
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Hour's chat, and then they would say: Give me my jab now, please

### Mercy killings admitted by retired surgeon

A retired Scottish surgeon, Mr George Mair, said yesterday that he had carried out a series of mercy killings on incurable patients, stretching over a period of years.

He could not give e precise figure for the number of times he had conducted eurhansia, saying that such things were
"very traumatic" and thus the
mind tended to hlack them out.
But he emphasized that it was
always done at the patient's
initiative.
While it has been known that While it has been known that

individual doctors have illegally conducted eurhanasia, Mr Mair's admission that he carried out admission that he carried out such mercy killings over a long period is certain in revive the comroversy ebout whether euthanasia should be legalized.

Mr Mair, speaking at his home in Old Polmont, Stirlingshire, said be bad first sean euthanasia

practised when he went to a hospital in the Midlands as a young doctor, and found his seniors carrying it out from time to time.

"I was young and inganuous and presumed that under Eoglish law this might be legal, since people of impeccable character were carrying this out in selected circumstances." Latar he realized that that was

not so. He emphasized that those doctors always used three criteria in such cases, and that he had always followed those cri-teria when he carried out

"The diagnosis had to be established by more than two consultants; the parient had to be so lamentably ill, and in such a parhetic state, and had failed to respond to any form of treat-ment for a significant period of time, that their joy of living had been destroyed; the patients themselves took the initiative in asking for this."

Mr Mair said the initiative



always had to come from the patient. It has been suggested that all too often in such cases it was the relatives who pressed for euthanasia, but he said: " I never paid any attention to relatives."

He added that he never discussed tha decision with rela-tives: "It was the patient's decision; it was a private act." decision; it was a private act.

He said they were courageous people who had come to e decision. I would see them and we would bave tea or coffee beforehand. We would probably char for maybe an hour and then they would say 'Give me my jah now, plaase'.

Mr Mair realized that some people wight say that what he

mr Mari reather that what he had done was murder, but he was not troubled by guilt. Ha believed that he had relieved the suffering of those people.

He had no doubt that a significant number of other doctors were involved in euthanasia.

"It's okay so long as you are not found out." But he believed that it was necessary to speak

He had not considered the He had not consumer for possibility of prosecution for what he had done until it was "I

what he had done until it was raised yesterday morning. "I cannot say I am worried, though I very much hope that nothing like that will happen", he said. Mr Mair, aged 60, said he did not want to give too many details of the mercy killings he had carried out hur "it is not a small number."

small number ". He bad practised euthanasia throughout his career at regular intervals, but he felt that m give details would only distract attention away from the prin-ciple that he believed was important: the benefits that euthanasia could bring in cer-

Euthanasia could be carried out either by withholding drugs that would otherwise prolong life, or by administering enor-mous injections to those in con-atant pain. He thought it was terrible to keep alive medically people who were vacerables.

people who were vegetables.

Mr Mair was in practice as a surgeon from 1939 to 1953, and then went into general practice in the North of Englend. He retired from madicine in 1968 and is now a writer and lecturer.

He has written 19 books.

In a hook, Confessions of a Surgeon, which is published next week, Mr Mair says: "I still consider that euthanasia, conducted without making a major ducted without making a major.

production out of it, is the ideal end-point for many types of terminal illness, including many conditions other than cancer.

"It was, of course, completely illegal and totally unerbical, hur I still say that it was merciful to the people concerned. It saved them weeks or months of pain, worry and possibly even fear."
Mr Mair describes the case of a woman in her forties who was uot expected to live more than

a few months and was already

pain-kining crugs several um a day.
Sha had made her will, p her house in order and bad se her friends while she was at looking reasonably well. He sa she wished to be remembered. she wished to be remembered them when looking "h decent".

At her request, she was movinto a sida room. Mr Mair say "She squeezed my hand whistening to the second me ment of Beethoven's ninth sy phony. I then slipped tha nee into a large vein and gave ) an enormous dose of sair

drugs.
"She slept swiftly and died less than an hour. Her last we

less than an hour. Her last was were whispered, but cle 'Thank you. Thank you so we very much'."

Mr Mair describes how, we he was resident surgical offi at the Warneford Hospi Leamington Spa, he discove that a whole group of old n with advanced malignam were given "mercy killings' In one case "a genial charter joked with the patient for few seconds while he injected few seconds while he injecte

enormous intravenous dose evipan. The patient was as within a minute or so and dead within bours". The whole process Mr 1 suggests, was normal. "I e coped with one or two myst Mr Cbarles Sweetingh secretary of the Volum Euthanasia Society, said year day that he admired Mr 1 for his courses and homes." for his courage and huma in speaking out. "I think it

reveal the desirability of ing the position made lawfi he said.
The British Medical Assetion said: "We do not comm on individual cases but official policy is to cond-

Confessions of a Surgeon George B. Mair; William combe, £3.98.

#### In brief

#### Date set for corruption case

The trial of four men charged with corruption offences involv-ing John Poulson, the former architect, and T. Dan Smith will begin at Leeds Crown Court in

January, it was announced yesterday.

The four are Councillor Colin Dews, of Glebe Street, Castleford; Councillor Tom Roebuck, of Elm Road, Mexborough, hoth Yorkshire; Alhert Roy Hadwin, of St Thomas Square, Newcastle upon Tyne; and Peter Ward, of the Old Orchard, Rothbury, Northumberland.

Factory murder charge Jack Smirh, aged 63, of Bel-field Road, Northampton, was remanded in custody for eight days by Northampton magis-trates yesterday, charged with murdering Roger Tipping, aged 34, a factory manager, who died in a shooting incident at his works last mouth.

Homes saved from road The remaining six-mile section Route, from the North Circular Road, Walthamstow, to Strat-ford, has been abandoned because it would have meant des-troying 150 bomes.

School buildings closed Parts of 11 schools in Northamptonshire have been closed for repairs because surveys bave shown that suspect cement was

used in their construction.

#### Sir Geoffrey Howe urges Tories to rally to new 'Set the people free' battle-cry

By Geoffrey Smith Political Staff Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Conservative spokesman on the social services, looked forward last night to the situation that the party chairman expects to face in the next election. While giving a warning that the party must not appear only as the champion of the hard-pressed middle classes, he saw the

champion of the hard-pressed middle classes, he saw the task as being more complex than simply recapturing the allegiance of industrial working families.

"We have heen losing strength on more or less the same scale with almost every section of the electorate", Sir Geoffrey told London University Conservative Association. The may therefore be thought to have kept his distance from He may therefore be thought:
to have kept his distance from
both Mr Walker and Mrs
Thatcher. Sir Keith Joseph may
note the comment that "there
are difficulties in simultaneously making a virtue of
accepting the realisies of human nature and yet claiming to be the only champions of

morality ". The essence of Sir Geoffrey's speech was that it was an examination of the party's philoexamination of the party's Philosophy and policy, not its leadership. He foresees a period of greatly intensified state intervention and control, from which the country will need deliverance. So he would like to see Conservatives rallying to the Churchillian battle-cry of the early 1950s: "Set the peopla free."

Sir Geoffrey and: "I am in oo doubt that it must be one

of the principal tasks of tha hecause of policies closely Conservative Party to challenge the principles and oppose the policies of socialism. Such outright opposition does not naturally appeal to the British instinct for compromise. Yet most socialists are nuwilling to compromise, save only about the pace of the socialist revolu-

He looked forward, in affect, an anti-socialist crusade behind the Conservative banner.
Their appeal would have to he broad enough "to make it natural, and indeed inevitable, for people like Christopher Maybew and Dick Taverne to transfer their allegiance to the Conservatives instead of to the indeterminate centre". That might seem a somewhat ambitious objective, but Sir Cooffees made it clear that the Geoffrey made it clear that the campaign would not be confined to economic matters.

In economics there would be an emphasis on the virtues of an emphasis on me virtues or profits and of competition. Monetary policy would be an essential, long-term, strategic weapon against inflation. "If that is wrong, then nothing else will come right." But monetary

will come right." But monetary policy would not be enough. Beyond that the campaign would be to set the people free from excessive government and an encroaching bureaucracy. Judgment on performance:
Joining in the Conservative
Party's soul-searching on leadership and policy, Mr John Biffen,
MP for Oswestry, said at Kensington last night that many former Tories deserted the party mer Tories deserted the party

ciated with the former Con vative government Mr Biffen, who at one

was closely associated with Enoch Powell but who is no substantial figure of what or be loosely called the econo right of the party, said Walker last weekend had cr ized the contemporary role performance of free enterpi but turned an obliging Nelst eye to the sbortcomings Mr Biffen dismissed as a n

the belief that voters frighteoed hecause Mr He was relling the truth in the e tion campaign. tion is a judgment on ev and government perform between 1970 and 1974", said. "There were three marks of Conservative gov ment that discouraged t traditional supporters, and each instance we must the constructively on how to re their support and enthusis. The troiks of our misfort was the political cult of the relentless pursuit of ecomic growth, and the cease tinkering with institutions.

growth the Conservative . ernment embarked on de financing "on a scale unpr dented in peacetime and were both predictable and dicted. It was foolish to pose that it need not dedisturb working class Tories, cause it ran counter to c instiocts on the virtue of the sud stability.

### Ecumenical good will for Catholic bishop at synod

By Clifford Longley Religious Affairs Correspondent

Religious Affairs Correspondent
In a spectacular demonstration of ecumenical good will, tha
General Synod of the Church of
England gave two prolonged
and spontaneous standing ovations yesterday to the first
Romsn Catholic hishop to be
invited to take part in the
synod'a proceedings.
The Right Rev Alan Clark,
Roman Catholic Bishop of Elmham and co-chairman of the
Anglican Roman Catholic International Theological Commission, had addressed the synod
at length on the significance of
the two historic agreements, on
the Eucharist and on the ministry, which the commission has
produced so far.

try, which the commission has produced so far.

He saw the synod vote unanimously in favour of a resolution welcoming the agreemeots, and commending them for study at all levels in the church. By that resolution, tha governing body of the Church of England went es far as possible in endorsing the terms of the agreements, and acknowledging them as generally compatible with Anglican doctrine.

Some detailed reservations were expressed during the

#### Flixborough victims to share £50,000

Victims of the disaster which ravaged the works of Nypro UK Ltd, at Flixborough, Humherside, in Juna, killing 28 employees, are to share £50,000.

The money was given to the fund leunched by the Mayor of Glanford, Councillor George Hawson, and ha said yesterday that it would now be distributed. Adult dependents of people killed are to receive £1,000 each, and children £500, with addi-

tional provision in cases of special hardship. Those incapacitated will get £1,000, and injured people who arc now recovering £200,

debate, but none of the speakers had anything less than a warm welcome for both agreements. One speaker suggested that quite apart from their importance to the ecumenical movement, the agreements were good enough to be used for the instruction of Confirmation candidates.

dates.

Mgr Clark said the agreements pointed the way to reexamination of the recognition
of Anglican orders by Rome. or Anglican orders by Rome, hut that would have to await progress on the third important topic being considered by the internetional commission, that of authority within the church.

"I have said that our goal is consensus of faith", he said.

"This is the immediate purpose, but there is a deeper and pose, hut there is a deeper and profounder content to what wa are doing. For what will emerge at the end of the day, if we

at the end of the day, if we respond to the grace of God, is a picture, however imperfectly drawn, of what we profess to be the Church of Christ. This is the fundamental consensus we are seeking. If we bave done our work well, theo all of us, wherever we are, will have to face the charge: why then do we remain divided?"

#### Working party on disabled asks

for suggestions

Lord Snowdon, chairman of the working party on integration of the disabled, has appealed to disabled people who feel they are at a disadvantage compared with the able-bodied to come forward with suggestions for overcoming their disadvantages.

The working party was set up by Action Research for the Crippled Child to examine the lack of integration experienced

lack of integration experienced by disabled people in areas such employment, education ransport and leisure.

Suggestions should be sent to the Secretary, Working Party on Integration, 1 Springfield Road, Horsham, Sussex, RH12 2PN.

### Oxfam doesn't like giving food to the hungry.

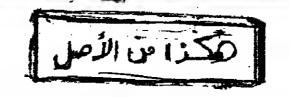
seven years of drought on the southern edge of the Sahara have destroyed the way of life of the Tuareg herdsmen, forcing thousands into the towns to queue for relief food.

For a small number, Oxfam bas found an answer. At Tchirozerine in Niger, hungry people have been shown how to make the best use of water resources to improve their pasture and grow new crops. Already the results have been dramatic. But the task in the whole area is huge. We can tackle it better if we car plan ahead on the basis of a regular income.

Are you willing to commit yourself to sign this Banker's Order and give just a small regular percentage of your salary to help projects like this throughout the world? Just 1% may not sound much (£i a month if you earn £1,200 a year). But it goes a line way in storping starnerics in a small community. long way io stopping starvation in a small community. Your decision to help would help hungry people help

By return post we will send you detailed information oo the Tchirozerine project. And we'll keep you in touch with Oxfam's work around the world.

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### Surgeo rice-fixing warning retailers if oluntary pact fails

e Government's voluntary ment with retailers to cut 's on certain hasic bousegoods appeared to be ing reasonably affectively.

MacLennan, Parliamentary r-Secretary of State at the -riment of Prices and Conr Protection, said after a to shops in Greater London

ere was therefore no need eseot for the Government take use of the powers it under the prices Act to fix s, except in the case of dized foods, be added.

t if at any time before the covernment considered that igreement was not working he real beoefit of the t; swife, it would not hesitate mial that the housewife ild continue to get a lowshopping basket.

e Government entered into

the retail trade in June under which they should reduce their prufit limits by a tenth and should concentrate that reduction on basic items.

Items such as bread, one cut of beef, one line of toilet soap were to be on continuous offer. Manufacturers were also asked to concentrate promotional activities on items including cooking oil, canned soups and baby

Two days' edvance warning was given to the shops visited hy Mr MacLenoan, but he did not think that that had led them

make any special changes. This was not intended as a snooping exercise but so as to stimulate shops to do well", be explained. "After a few months such agreements are apt

He said his department was continuously monitoring prices by means of a fortnightly ques-tionnaire sent to retail traders and by following up letters of complaint from individual mem-

#### oultry men complain **bout 'criminal' cuts**

e effort and materials nov led to produce a pound of could be used to produce Food prices e pounds of poultry meat 12 nunces of beef, leaders of pnultry industry said yes

r Jobo Eastwood, president be Britisb Poultry Federa-seid the present EEC policy onserving cereals by cutting n oo poultry was criminal beef cattle ate about e times as much grain as kens to produce the same unt of protein for three EEC policy of replacing beef duction by growth in poultry. he federation felt that beef een excessively subsidized publicized by the British ernment, so that there was a glut throughoot the EEC. nnel Uvedale Curbett, vice-sident of the federation, 1: "The great beef bubble

hurst and blown a hole in business, and we resent Ar Eastwood said replacement chicks for poultry meat and an cur by a fifth in the past in. Although producers were w receiving 21p a pound for hir broiler birds instead of 17p in the summer, that was ough only to break even with-

t recovering past losses. Warniogs of further inflation shopping hills came thick i fast yesterday. Mr Robert ler, chairman of the soft fruit unittee of the National mers Union said the cost of ring strawberries bad risen a quarter in the past year the National Association of Drink Manufacturers said high sugar prices would ca-an extra 1p on a quart bottle

#### **Hugh Clayton**

The Department of Prices and Consumer Protection said that plaice, some pork, pears and lemons would be dearer this weekend than last. Purk is still rising in response to improving market prices for pigs, so the cheapest cuts now cost as much as, the more expensive ruasting joints did six months ago. Belly bas reached 36p a pound and band is approaching 35p.

But competitive price-cutting continues and, as always, the best bargains are not the most obvious ones. Mr Robert Owsnert, meat controller of Inter-national Stores, announced his company's latest reductions on New Zealand lamb with tha comment that they were tha lowest prices it had offered on such meat so far this year.

He said the company bad cut its whole and balf shoulders by 4p to 34p a pound, but Tesco immediately offered shoulder of bome-killed lamb at 32p a pound. Mr Owsnetr's 48p a pound for New Zealand legs was met by a 50p English leg

Fresh fish is becoming cheaper for the first time for several weeks, although increases are expected for coley and plaice. The Department of Prices and Consumer Protection predicted that cod fillets would drop 5p to 50p a pound.

#### urses 'dispensing pill at imily planning clinics'

Pat Healy ial Services

undreds of thousands of oen attending Family Planz Association clinics bave n given the contraceptive by nurses, although doctors the only people legally quali-in prescribe it. Nurses e also been fitting women at clinic with intra-uterine de-

s although normally it is ried nut by ductors.
In Micbeel Smith, chief medioficer of the association, icribed the situation yesterwhee he pleaded for "legal sing " of nurses prescribing pill. He asked for national ognition of a new norsing ciality, the "social bealth" se, which would belp to ease evere pressure nn climic

peaking at the association's local conference in London, said that 30 per cent of all petients had been seen by ses only over the past five its. An association working the bad been studying the se and had beard of a numor of ways in which experised doctors and nurses had in menaging the service by per use of their professional its. He continued:

where no doctor is present; we bave beard of one where the specially trained and selected nurses provide the whole ser-vice, including the insertion of intra-uterine devices. In that one, a consultant gynaecologist is in charge. He signs one prescription for all the pills that the nurses dispense once every three months. Unless the nurses refer to him he does not see the

He urged that legislation should be introduced to give nurses "unique powera in the prescription of contraceptives.

It would belp the family planning services to reach more women et risk, including those with large families and others who were house-tied.

Mrs Castle, Secretary of State for Social Services, offered Dr Smith some hope that his pleamight be heard when she addressed the conference. The suggestion would be fully considered by all the professions concerned, she said.

She announced that she was allocating an extra fim for the second half of the present financial year in help health authorities in cope with intolerable waiting lists at family planning clinics.

#### aturday issue i 'Evening tandard' to end | and 64 bruises

a Staff Reporter

me of London's two evening ers, the Evening Standard, o stop publishing its Satureditions to reduce costs. : newspaper, part of the verbrook Group, announcing yesterday, said there would bundred redundancies in

he statement, poblished on front page, said the Satur-editions would probably after November 30. "The sation of the Saturday paper an essential step to maini profitability in the face of ere reductions in advertis-budgets and constantly ris-prices", it said.

he editor and the managing ector explained the decision editorial staff yesterday and b the various unions.

Richard Briginshaw, eral secretary of the ionel Society of Operative sonnel, said: "It is an indion of the difficulties and blems of the industry, which is the first ks likely t be further bured by price increasea in nters, Graphical and Media

### Child 'had six broken ribs

Tina Johnson, aged eight months, had six broken ribs and 64 separate bruises nn ber body the night sba died, it was alleged et Nottingham Crown Court yesterday. She had been with her father, Charles Lesley Johnson, aged 19, while ber mother went out with relatives to a miners' welfare club, Mr David Wilcox, for the prosecution, said.

Mr Wilcox said that before the mother, Mrs Margaret Johnson, went out the baby bad been bathed and was laughing hap-

Mr Johnson, a box cutter, of Lamcote Street, The Meadows, Nottingham, pleaded not guilty to charges of cruelty and bodily

#### Neglect of the social sciences in France

The "catastrophic neglect" of the social sciences in France is discussed today in The Times Higher Education Supplement by Dr A. H. Halsey. There are also articles on J. H. Plumb, the Cambridge historian, the state of American higher edu-

#### Football crowd safety Bill presented

The Safety of Sports Grounds Bill, requiring stadia with a capacity for more than ten thousand spectators to obtain a safety certificate from the local authority, was laid before Par-liament yesterday. The Bill is substantially that introduced under the last Administration but lost because of the general

The first stadia dealt with will prohably be international foot-ball grounds, English first and second division football grounds and Scottish first division grounds.

The Bill implements the main recommendations made by Lord Wheatley in his report in 1972 into crowd safety at sports

Only those stadia with accommodation for more than ten thousand spectators will be required to obtain a safety cernificate from the local authority, which must consult the building authority, the chief officer of police and the fire authority, if different from the local

authority.
Under the certificate the local authority will be em-powered to impose terms and conditions that it thinks are needed to secure e reasonable standard of safety.

**Boycott complaint** 

Mr Wilson is to look into the case of three Grimsby fish duckers sent to Coventry by their mates since they refused to join a strike un May 8.



### Councils complain of 1971 census delays

The 1971 census, intended as an essential tool for Britain's plenners, bas proved too much for the census officials to cope with. Processing the mass of information has taken so long that seven volumes of national figures are up to a year behind schedule.

Local authorities, faced with these delays and others on special detailed information they ordered, beva kept up a

barrage of complaints to the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys. They bave found themselves risking decisions based on information eight years nut of date because nnth-ing else has been available. The sirvanon came to a bead

this week in the Greater London Council when a resolution was passed calling for the matter to be taken up with the Secreof State for Health and Mr Eric Thompson, chairman al Services. There have of the Census Research Group tary of State for Social Services.

the GLC in its resolution supported the proposal for one.

The national statistics which bave been delayed include tables which relate homes with places of work and figures for educa tional qualifications, composi-tion of bouseholds, fertility, occupations, migration countries of hirth. necupations

and assistant director of the "We have been told that we shall get some of the special material we ordered next year but the material was intended be available within two

Last year The Times disclosed that census nffice computers had rejected more than a quar-ter of the 18 million forms, were designed to collect four times the information re-

#### **Lottery MP** in luck again in Bill ballot

By Our Political Staff Mr Graham Page, who was Minister for Local Government in the last Conservative govern ment, has been lucky again in the ballot for private members' Bills. In the last Parliament he won first place and introduced a Bill to allow local authorities to run their own letteries. Although contentious, this passed through the Commons, only to be defeated in the Lords. In yesterday's ballot he won second place and will now re-

introduce the Bill.

Mr Page has a distinguished record for guiding private memhers' legislation on to the statute book. He was responsible for the Cheques Act, the Pawn-brokers Act and the Stock Transfer Act and he started the legislation to pay wages by cheque which was than taken over by government and became law. Mr Peter Hardy woo first place in yesterday's ballot, then, after Mr Page, came, in order; Mr J. White, Mr A. Bottomley, Mrs J. Butler, Mr T. King, Mr A. Grant, Mr P. Doig, Mr W. Whiclock, Mr J. MacGregor, Mr W. Shekton, Mr M. P. Doig, M. W. Wilder, M. J. MacGregor, Mr W. Shekton, Mr M. Bates, Sir Anthony Meyer, Mr S. Mahon, Sir Derek Walker, Smith, Mr P. Channon, Mrs M. Colquhoun, Mr C. Townsend, Mr M. Brotherton and Mr W. Hamling

#### Building strike ends

Three thnusand Merseyside building workers return to work esterday after a week's unofficial strike protesting over the dismissal of the Shrewsbury "flying pickets" appeal.

## Christmas is coming and he's stocked up for a big season. He hasn't had to worry about extra insurance cover though—his policy takes care of that automatically.

Not all shopkeepers can be so blasé about an overfull stockroom. Excess expertise, however, knows the problems – the last worry they want at busy times is extra cover. That's why Excess new Shopkeepers Policy allows for automatic seasonal stock increases for any six week period at no extra charge - just one of the many features contained in this new policy. Others include twice the amount of business interruption cover previously available, impact damage by own vehicles, and an increased public liability indemnity. Many optional extensions too make this new Excess Shopkeepers Policy probably the best on the market.

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Hause of Commons

MR TEBBIT (Waltham Forest, Chineford, C) asked the Minister of Agriculture to list the powers ha possessed to introduce rationing of basic foodstuffs soch as sugar. MR STRANG, Parliamentary

Secretary (Edinburgh, East, Lab)—The minister has no such powers.

MR TEBBIT-WIII the Government consider taking such powers or alternatively altering their poli-

or alternatively altering their poli-cies as these powers may be needed. I say this in no impleasant terms: I have a good deal of sym-pathy with Mr Peart.

As the heef rug has been pulled out from under him and since the Commonwealth producers ratied on their obligations to supply us at reasonable prices, will be consider taking steps to make sure that the British housewife can get sugar British housewife can get sugar somewhere because she cannot

MR STRANG—Rationing is a serious matter and it would be a drastic and expensive step to take and one which would be only appropriate in a situation where we had a serious and orolonged shortage. That situation does not exist at present (Conservative in exist at present. (Conservative in-

MR WDDDALL IHemsworth.

Lab!—Unofficial rationing of sugar is now taking place in my cubultuency. I have evidence of grocery concerns only permitting customers purchasing specific amounts of groceries to have sugar. If he has no powers to introduce retioning can be stop this unofficial rationing?

MR 5TRANG—I can well understand Mr Woodall's concero about the situation which exists to some the studenou which exists to some choos in his coosofuency, it is the case that some housewives are hav-log difficulty obtaining sugar at present. The amount of sugar coming into distribution over the last few mooths is up on last year and what we have is an abnormal demand at this time.

MR HAROLD WILSON, Prime Minister, when questioned later about sugar matters, said: We have every insention of gerting all the sugar we cao from Australia, either through Community arrangement or direct. (Cries of "Oh".)

LORD CHAMPION (Lah), mov-ing that the House noted the tenth

report of the select committee on the future sugar policy of the European Communities, said within their terms of reference the

within their terms of reference the committee bad to decide whether the EEC proposals were to he viewed from the wide European point of view or from a more parochial national standpoint. They had tried to achieve a halance the two the second

riweeo the two. They were of the opinion from

the Community angle that the pro-oosals provided a satisfactory framework within which negoti-ations between agricultural minis-

ters might take place and in particular provided a reasonable basis

for negotiation on a possible rein-carnation of an international sugar accement. They would also pro-vide for the future production of

continued) we were critical of the proposal to fix quotas on the basis

proposal to fix quotas oo the basis of a producer's total annual production hetween 1968 and 1973 for the reason that our own sugar producers were during that period restricted by the Commoowealth sugar agreement. That agreement made provision that we would restrict our production here in order to insure that we could take the agreed production of our Commonwealth.

Having regard to the highly vul-

Having regard to the highly vul-nerable position of British refineries the committee believed that the Minister of Agriculture must carefully explore the EEC memorandum and perhaps take a

firm stand to insure that this

country's refineries were not to suffer as a consequence of any

suffer as a consequence of any Community decisions.

LORD ST DSWALD (C) said that he had spoken this week in the agriculture committee in Brussels. The spirit was one of enoogeration, which did not prevent special interests being decloyed where they could be shown and accepted as genuine and reasonable. The doubt law not in the willingness of the formwanter to maintain the nucta-

adequate supplies of sugar.

The committee were of the opiolon that the price structure year.

House of Lords

### Jobs of cane refinery workers not at risk in EEC negotiations

MR WILLIAM HAMILTON lian deal? Will be meet all those (Centred Fife, Lab) asked the involved in the refining distributions and Food to make a statement on the recently negotiated sugar

MR PEART—I took the initia-

MR PEART (Workington, Lab) said the cost of sugar bought under the EEC arrangements, when rained, would be far below the reined, would be far below the world market price, but he could not at this stage make a firm forecast. On the future sugar regime of the Community, they had secured the maximum quota of just over 1,500,000 metric tons at the full guaranteed price.

MR HAMILTON-Notwithstand MR HAMILTON—Notwithstanding these agreements and the outtome of the talks with the Council
of Ministers in the next week or
two, will Mr Peart seek a longterm ngreement for the import of
cane sugar from the Commonwealth, no matter what bappens in
the Council of Ministers?

On heet sugar, will he urge on
the British Sugar Corporation the
oeed to get on with the modernizing of their orocessing equioment
to cater for increased heet supplies
to Britain?

If there is likely to he a shortage
of sugar next year, as there may

of sugar next year, as there may well be, he should oot hesitate to introduce rationing; obviously, that would be a fairer echeme of ensuring the poorer sections get a fairer share of what is going. MR PEART-i did secure an increased acreage quota for beet cugar. On Commonwealth sugar, It cugar. On Commonwealth sugar, it is a matter for the Community still. This will be discussed sonn in the Community. We are anxious to have a long-term

agreement. MR BLAKER (Blackpool, South, C)—Does he agree with the view, which seems to he that of the cane sugar refinery workers, that as a result of negotiations jobs are at risk?

MR PEART-I do not accept that. There has been too much alarm and despondeocy spread by people for whatever reasons. The position of the cane refinery workers will be safeguarded by the agreements reached in the Council of Ministers. I am meeting continually the workers conceroed and have keet them informed themselves.

Government encouraging farmers

LORD SAINSBURY (Lab) said that to talk of snrplus in e situation of acute world shortage was unreal. The fear of shortages was indicated by the sugar futures market. The top orice of December sugar was £650 a ton yesterday. Tha fear of experts who foresaw a serious world sugar shortage durlog at least the first half of next was tweet was reflected in the market.

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Commonwealth sugar producers

were oo longer so dependent on

sales to Great Britain. They had coocluded sales with China, Venezuela, North Africa, and North America. The 1975 supplies were threatened by the current difficul-

ties in harvesting European beet because of bad weather.

The Eastern block was putting out feelers for sugar supplies in addition to the existing arrangements they had with Cuba. All that underlined the seriousness of the world supply of sugar for next year.

there.

According to the ministry, the shortage was created by panic buying and hoarding. Every housewife would say they got it the wrong way round. The panic huying and hoarding, if there was any in any created by the shortage was created by the shortage.

great way, was created by the shor-

Nobody wanted rationing in peacetime, but the lessons of the last war showed that it was essen-

tial to start rationing before the shortages arrived, not afterwards. In the difficult situation which faced the Government, end particularly the Ministry of Agriculture, that should he borne in mind.

LDRD BESWICK, Minister of

to expand sowing of beet

should tontinue to maintain a sugar beet industry in the been over-optimistic during 1974. The sugar shortage in the retail shops was oot golog to be over-optimistic during 1974. The sugar shortage in the retail shops was oot golog to be over-come within a matter of weeks. The sugar shortage, as every house-continued) we were critical of that there will be fire overthe best between the best could confirm, was still the sugar shortage.

MR PEART—I took the initiativa to have talks with the Australians. I also raised their position in the EEC. Australia would only have a deal approved by the EEC— that is their position. In the cir-culistances, because of our imme-diate needs, I accepted the negori-ations endorsed by the EEC. ations endorsed by the EEC,
MR SHERSBY (Hillingdon,
Uxbridge, C)—Does he agree it is
to the national interest that the
maximum quantity of heet sugar
should be grown in Britain and the
maximum amount of cane sugar
should be imported as distinct
from the EEC if our supplies are
to be ensured. Will he press now
for the EBC to agree to importation of not less than 1,400,000
tons of Commonwealth cane sugar
to match the 1,500,000 tons of beet
sugar which is supposed to be
grown in Britain, if we are to fulfil
our quotas.

our quotas.

MR PEART—I agree. This will be discussed in the EEC soon. Our position is that we want this 1,400,000 tons of sugar at a fair price to the producers. It is in the consumers' interest and I accept it. Dn sugar beet I have accepted the increase which has been welcomed.

Increase which has been welcomed.

MR JAY (Wandsworth, Battersea, North, Lab)—According to my Information the Australians are willing to offer supplies of the order of 300,000 tons a year for a minimum of five years at a price of £145 a ton comparable with the EEC price of £134 a ton. Allowing for the subsidy involved, there would have been no great difference in the price. Was Mr Peart right to turn down this offer?

MR PEART—He has been wrongly informed. Australie was asking us to pay a price higher than for EEC sngar of £180 a ton comparable with £156 a ton. comparable with £155 a ton.

MR PYM, Opposition spokesman
on agriculture (Cambridgeshire,
CI—The Commonwealth sugar
agreement runs out next month
and Mr Peart is talking about
negotiating with the EEC soon.
Has everything been arranged
have sopplies been arranged and
contracts signed?

MR PEART—This has to be finally endorsed by the EEC. I did not ask for this; it is the nature of the EBC. I am amxious we get the old Commonwealth sugar agreement.

valuable crop. In these respects

therefore substantial progress has been achieved since the committee

reported,

Much remaioed to be settled, not

Much remaioed to be settled, not only on the arrangements to be made with the developing producers but also to insure that the sugar could be bought and processed in the most efficient and economical way. This meant that the cane refineries, particularly in this country, could be certain they would get the cane sugar.

The Government were deter-

The Government were deter-mined to press in Brussels for a substantial proportion of these im-

substantial proportion of these imports to be reserved for these refinerles, as in the Commission's original proposals. This was essential to protect employment and investment in this important industry which, like the beet industry was regard to a continuous

dustry, was geared to a continuous

There had been mention of the

ing 200,000 tous of exports on the

had secured a commitment from the Council to take whatever steps were necessary to make good the Community's deficit in the coming

year. The sobsidy would have exactly the same claim on the Community's funds as any other tem and there would he oo fixed ceiling on expenditure.

No doubt (he continued) there will be a balancing factor; but the point is that the Community have

point is that the Community have agreed that the sugar can be bought in the world market at world market prices and made available to Community countries at Community prices. This is an enormous guarantee. I can only assume that they onderstand what they have committed themselves to. This is the way the Community are proposing to work. The technical details still have to he worked out.

out.

Lord Sainsbury had suggested that the Government were in error in not setting up the apparatus of rationing. The present ebnormally high demand did not necessarily mean that such e step would be justified.

If the said) one of our most important refiners end an adviser to one of our most important retailers (Lord Sainsbury) paint e oicture of ahortages then little children will rush out to get aupplies wherever they can. There will be created this abnormally high demand.

The motion was agreed to.

The motion was agreed to. House adjourned, 8.4pm.

process of production.

### Drop in fat cattle prices caused by heavy marketings

ture, Fisheries and Food (Workington, Lab), answering e series of questions about the beef situation. including the current low prices for fat cattle and the proposed 518 .
a cwt to beef producers, said—

a cwt to beef producers, said—
The present low prices for fat carice are the result of heavy marketings which are one-third higher than a year ego. Some of these carice are of poor quality and are heing blaughtered prematurely because of recent wet weather and anxiety about fodder supplies during the winter. Although there has been some improvement in euction prices in the last few days, the attention remains sections.

Io my speech during the debate It my speech during the debate on the Queen's Speech last week I described the measures the Government have taken to safeguard the future supplies of beef. More than £150m of support is being given to heef producers this year. The maximum support given to heef producers in any previous year was £80m in 1970-71. The additional £100m recently awarded to the dairy sector will also help to ensure a continuing supply of calves for heef produc-

I am conducting an urgent aurvey to find not how much winter fodder is available and where it is. When we have established the facts we shall consider whether any fur-

Mr Wilson

unions will

MR SKINNER (Boisover, Lab)

MR SKINNER (Boisover, Lah) said; Now we are mopping up some of the mess left by the Tories, will the Prime Minister, hefore he next meets the CBI, compile a dossier of all the defaulting companies—(Conservative shout of "And conciliors")—who falled to send their returns in accordance with the counter-inflation policy of the Tory administration? Will be ask the CBI what he ought to do to get us out of this position?

When he meets the TUC will he

When he meets the TUC will he tell them that although we failed to get the £10m that was taken out of the charitable sources of the trade unious, it will ha restored now we

MR HAROLD WILSON (Huyton, Lah)—On the first part, presumably he is referring to parts of the Counter Infinion Art dealing with the price code. This must be a matter for the Price Commission. We have asked the Secretary of State to look into this question.

The second part of the question—on the £10m—relates to a Finance Ell matter and I cannot anticipate Tuesday's Budger.

Without anticipating the Budget (he added later) the Chancellor did say that the avoldance of a

lurch to unemployment would be a high priority. The problem we face, in spite of the recent impro-vements in the memployment sit-nation over a short period, is s world problem and a matter for world statesmarkin to ensure that

world statesmanship to ensure that we do not lurch into recession as a result of the world oil situation.

MR HEATH, Leader of the Opposition (Bexley, Sidcup, C)—On Mr Skinner's question about the £10m, the Prime Minister replied that this was a budgetary matter if action was to be taken. Can be give a firm assurance that on action will be taken by the Government to attempt to refund the mooey?

last minority Parliament, the Government do intend to act on this matter, but we must leave any questions on this to the Chancel-

MR KENNETH LOMAS (Hod-dersfield, West, Lab) asked the Chancellor of the Exchequer the

present value of the salary of an MP io terms of the value at the latest lucrease lo 1971; by what proportion it had dropped and hy how much it should he lucreased to bring it in line with the latest cost of living index.

MR ROBERT SHELOON, Minis-

MR ROBERT SHELOON, Minister of State, Treasury, in a written reply, said: The hasic salary of a Member of Parliament was last increased (to £4,500) in January 1972. Taking the internal purchasing power of the pound steeling as 100p in January 1972 its value in Seotember, 1974 (the latest date available) was 7440; the vaine of £4,500 was therefore about £3,350 equivalent to a fall of 25.5 per cent. £4,500 would need to be increased by £1,525 in order to match increases in retail prices since January 1972. These estimates are made on the basis of the change in the General Index of Retail Prices.

MPs' salaries

down 25 pc

MR WILSON—The Secretary of Stata for Employment has already made clear that in view of the decision takeo by Parliament in the last minority Parliament, the Covernment do investigate the call bitchiness has been thearrised.

clear majority in the

indicates

get £10m

MR PRART—I cannot accept that. I am bound by the Community. (Conservative protests.) The Conservatives decided to end the guarantee and enter the Community and they would not defy the Community. I have decided to approach the Community of this matter. needed.

I am also considering with my colleagues the problems restiring from the importation of Irish cattle. I must point out, however, that this is a tradiciousl trade and the greater part of these cattle are imported as stores for further fattening by farmers in this country. The numbers imported for immediate slaughter are only a very small percentage of our total weekly slaughterings of cattle.

SIR JOHN LANGFORD-HOLT (Shrewsbury, C)—The simution is desperate for beef farmers and the minister's words that returns hould improve are wholly in-

weekly slaughterings of cattle.

The real concern at the moment is the need for an assured return to producers. I described lest week the changes needed in the beef regime to hring this about. We all recognize the seriousness of the present situation and I shall do all I can to get urgent action to this end et the Council of Ministers meeting on November 18.

MR MILLS (West Devon Chem. MR DALYELL (West Lothian, Lab)—What are we to tell Scottish

MR MILLS (West Devon, C)—Will he accept that he has misled and deceived the British beef farmer over the promise of the £18 a CWt? (Conservative Cheers.) This is particularly cruel in view of their experiences, and will he use the intervention guarantee in some form or another or bring in an form or another or hring in an immediate beef guarantee?

It used to be "Good old Fred" but now it is "Pred who missed the beef producers of this MR FARR (Harborough, C)— Mr Peart has been baffled in Brus-

Theatre delayed

tory restrictino on the total Government contribution to enable the theatre huilding to be completed. It was expected the Exchequer contribution, due to the rising costs of building, would he not less than film. The task of hringing the project to completion had not been easy. The huilding work on the main structure and fixing out of the theatre had proceeded more slowly than had been hoped. In part this was due to delays arising from the three-day week last winter; there had also heen a shortage of some categories of workers, and of some crucial

rage of some categories of workers, and of some crucial materials.

It would not be possible for the theatre to open, as originally hoped, on April 23, 1975. It was for the National Theatre Board to decide what the new opening date

would he.

It was not yet possible to make an accurate estimate of the final total of additional contributious required but it was expected the excess cost would be not less than f2m. The Greater London Council had agreed to recommend e contribution of up to film or 50 per cent, on the understanding that the

on the understanding that the balance of expenditure would be found by the Exchequer. New arrangements had been made with the South Bank Theatre Board to

control the expenditure.

We are in the National Theatre (he said) declaring our faith in the

power of our language to com-municate and the ability of our creative and interpretative artistes

(Chelmsford, C) said the Opposition supported the Bill in principle. The theatre they were told would cost £12m, which was not very expensive when compared to the cost of the Sydney Opera House. It was of immense importance for the future and would affect the lives of millions of people, their ootlook, their horizon, and their vision of life.

When it was about to become a

tha jealousy and the sbeer thearri-cal bitchiness by some in the theatre world, there was, the geutine fear that theatres outside. Loodon would be starved of funds.

in order to finance the National

Oil subsidy for growers not to be continued

SIR DBREK WALKER-SMITH (East Herifordshire, C) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Pood what proposals he had for the continuance of oil subsidy for the horticultural industry.

words, that returns

MR PEART—One of the reason MR PEAKL—One of the reasons for the present low price of fat cartle is the heavy marketing, which is one-third higher than e year ago. It was the Conservatives who asked producers to go into beef out of dairy.

farmers about the export of cow beef cattle ? beef cattle?

MR PEART—Mr Dalyell is anxious about the O'Brien report. There are people in this House who believe this ahould be stopped. I probably have a different view, but I must come to a decisium and the House has to dehare It. We have had to have consultations with our suppliers. (Conservative protests.)

bourg by the Europeans and aven if he had the desire, he has not the shilly to help the producers at this

Can he look into the question of can be look into the distant the large multi-national meat companies which own slaughterhouses in many of the best parts of Britain and which have excluded homegrown best and are slaughtering jrish heef cattle?

MR FEART—I will look into this. I believe that I got a good package field and it was approved by many Cohservative MPs. It gave the dairy farmers the biggest award they have ever had.

MR CLEDWYN HUGHES (Anglesey, Lab)—The money being paid out in the beef premium scheme which Mr Peart introduced in all good faith is not reaching the producer it was intended to help. Will the minister institute an immediate inquiry into that scheme?

On fodder, which is vital to the store cattle producer, how argently is this being examined? When can he make a statement?

MR PEART—This is being considered now, and I will make a statement as soon as possible. The premium system was a good system approved by the farmers' emions but it could be improved. I am going to Brussels in Rovember and I will raise the matter then.

MR STEPHEN ROSS (Isle of Wight, L)—Will the minister look at the system whereby dairy farmers are still getting substantial grants to change over from dairy to beef?

MR PEART-I will do that

MR PYM, Opposition spokesman on agriculture (Cambridgeshire, C)—Mr Peart's unitateral act in opting out of intervention approached almost criminal folly. We have been hoping that the minister would meet his £18 a cwt commitment but the situation is worse than that A report in the Western Mail said that one of his officers calcu-

said that one of its others action lated that farmers would do better to accept £4 instead of keeping their carrie throughout the winter. Will be take action before many of these farmers are rulned? MR PEART-Mr Pym knows

that even within the Community intervention has not worked thought the Conservatives wanted port in the market in the sense of a guarantee system? I very much prefer that. I would prefer to have something in the market different from intervention.

Later during business questions MR HEATH, Leader of the Opposition, said they would wish to have a debate on agriculture after Mr Peart had had fils talks in the Council of Ministers.

#### Revaluation of rates put **Opening of National** back until inquiry on finance is completed MR HUGH JBNKINS, Under Secretary for Education and Science (Wandsworth, Putney, Lab), moving the secood reading of the National Theatre Bill, said it would remove the present stampory restricting on the total Government countries or areally second to the last budget was

MR JOHN SILKIN, Minister for Planning and Local Government the reason be could oot welcome the Second reading of the General Rate Bill, said its purpose was to postpone the 1978 revaluation. The statutory five-year cycle would start again from 1981.

MR ST JOHN-STEVAS said the whole of the arts budget was \$18.8m compared with the education budget of nearly \$4,000m. Por the National Theatre, he had figures of £1.15m a year for occupancy and management; £1.95m for the Olivier Theatre and £2.5m for the Littleton Theatre. It was vital there should be a guarantee that this money would be provided.

MR JENKINS said the cost of the subsidy for running the hullding was £1.15m; the Olivier Theatre only would cost £1.95m and to The Bill did not deal with the wider issue of the rating system in general which was being examined in detail by the Layfield Committee of Inquiry into local government finance. The Government would have to await the committee's report before taking decisions about changes in the present system.

only would cost £1.95m and to operate the Divier Theatre and the Littletoa Theatre would require subsidy of £2.5m, but that was the The committee's recommend ations would come at the end of next year. There must then he a proper period for reconsideration of the report and a further period for legislation should that he necessary. To set in motion preparations for n 1978 revaluation which might never be put into effect would be an irresponsible waste. It was time that the basis of local finances should be examined. The Government's proposals on land had nothing to do with the postponed revaluation. It was not the Government's intention that the theatre would
become a sort of public Centre
Point, but on a guarantee he could
not confirm specific figures
MR. ST JOHN-STEVAS said he
hoped there was no question of
reducing that annual grant to
theatres outside the National
Theatre in an effort to pick up
some money for it.
At a time of economic crisis
when it would he much more difficult to achieve material goals more

Anxiety when it would be material goals more not less should be spent on the arts hecause if one could not achieve material goals one could at least achieve one's spiritual and artistic MR ROSSI (Haringey, Hornsey, C) said the Conservatives would have coupled with the Bill other measures which would have meant the complete dismanding of the rating system for domestic rate-payers. They would not have needed to postrone it.

objectives.

MR FREUD (Isle of Ely, L) said the project needed a lot of money, and he was keen that it should be given. What I am frightened about (he said) is that if this money goes to the National Theatre there might be other hranches of the lodustry which woold suffer.

SIR ANTHONY MEYER (West Flint, C) said he had been associated with this project all his adult life. His grandfather provided the money necessary to keep alive in practical terms the ideas of men like Bernard Shaw when they put forward the idea of a National Theatre. There, had been controversy whether a building was necessary to the project, But, withiout this the project would be allowed to die in periods of financial stringency.

MRS RENEE SHORT (Wolverhampton, North-Fast, Lab) said MR FREUD (Isle of Ely, L) said payers. They would needed to postpone it. Was it merely coincidence that revaluation was postponed until the last possible date, or was it something more premeditated? Each, time ratable, values were adjusted, for the majority they were adjusted powards. Anxiety was caused because of the fear that it meant an increased rate bill. The real effect of revaluation

was to adjust the rate burden as equitably and justly as possible between one ratepayer and the next as the properties they occupled became more or less valuable. They had been told it was being postponed because it coincided with the work of the Layfield Inquiry into Local Government Finance. But was not the postponer Finance. But was not the postponement prejudging and preempting tha inquiry's report? That was the interpretation of the Association of County Councils, the Association of District Councils and the Association of Metropolitan Oistricts. It led them to assume that the minister had already made up his mind about Layfield.

The Man Adding all MR HATTO Theatre.

A national theatre built at the expense of the living theatre elsewhere would not be a national theatre at all and it would be better not to have it if that was the price to be paid.

One had to consider theatres in other parts of the country, end in that context there should be an inquiry by the Government into the Criterion Theatre situation.

MR. FAULDS (Warleys East Lab) said be had to admit a certain lack of happiness in these times of inancial stringency about the apparent prospects of the arts under the present Government's autitude towards them. He shared dangers not only to this specifid project but to the general funding of the arts.

The Bill was read a second time.

ter had already made up his mind about Layfield.

The rating system, with all its inequities and regressive nature, was: at risk of losing consensus acceptance and as a result could areadily break down. The troubles and protests of the current rating year would be nothing to those of next year, when it was enthoratively forecast that rates would go up another 50, 60 or even 100 per cent in some parts of the country.

Instead (he said) of tackling energetically and with determination the real problem as regards rating, instead of introducing measures to alleviate the hardship suffered by domestic ratepayers and small businessmen what we have to waste time upon is this piece of tomfoolery before us today which at best is designed to facilitate nationalization of land and at worst to gerrymander the next gen-eral election.

MR ARTHUR JDNES (Daveotry, C) said there was oo justification to postpone the quinquennial revaluation from 1978 to 1931 on the grounds suggested by the minister. There was evidence that the local authority associations were critical of the proposal in the Bill, and there was justification for this. It was not wrong to prejudge the Layfield Committee recommendations; indeed the fact that the Government were proposing to delay revaluation was an indication of their thinking to the committee.

MR STEPHEN ROSS Isle of Wight, L) said the Government were taking the easy way out by proposing postponement. Due proposing postponement. Dne might put pressure oo the Chancel for to give relief to small shoo keepers with gross values of ahom £1,000. Ha had, after all, given relief to domestic ratepayers in this financial war.

this financial year.

MR GRAHAM PAGE (Crosby,
C) said that if the Government had
their way there would be no more
private property to let hur only
council property, and no rental
market on which the valuations
could work. Under their land
municipalization proposals there
would also he no commercial property evallable for development. this financial year.

MR DURANT (Reading, North, C) said shopkeepers were being hard hir and in his consultuency the number of closures was alarming. It would sooo have vast tracts without small shops.

MR CARTWRIGHT (Greenwich. Woolwich, East, Lah) said that earlier this year until he hecame an MP, he was a member of the Layfield Committee and they bad a difficult job to do. It might be that the committee said tha rating system should be scrapped, reformed or retained in part and supplemented by other forms of local government finance.

The Government wero facing considerable difficulties on this

MR HURD (Mid Oxon, C) said they might have at least two or three years more of the present rating system operating under the worst conditions. He felt it would not survive that long.

Adding all the present circum-

MR HATTON (Manchestar, Moss Side, Lab) said tha Bill made sense only if it were accepted that there was a need to get local government finance cace and for all on a sound and sensible basis.

Inequities

MR SAINSBURY (Hove, C) said commerce and industry had a greatly increased rate hurden. It was becoming a major cost factor in retailing. If one left revaluation for as long as was suggested by tha Bill the inequities between husinesses were bound to increase. The repid locrease in the rate burden had concentrated their minds oo the inequity of this sort of taxation oo individuals, particularly single person households. A nex which was unfair and getting higher and higher hecame eventually a tax that was unacceptable. A much worst to gerrymander the next general election.

MR JAMES MARSHALL (Leiconer, South, Lab) said revaluation shifted the errent of payment between individual ratepayers and different classes of ratepayers and different classes of ratepayers and another, and between one class of ratepayer and another.

MR LEADBITTER (Hartlepool, lab) said that MPs should stoo oce and for all this ring about with local government and leaving local counciliors to stew in their own juice. They had too much in the past been involved with the presumption that all they had to do was pass legislation and pass huck to the local authority.

### FRIDAY: Education BUI, second reading National Treatry Bui, remaining

Parliamentary Notices House of Commons fods at 11.00 miles (Continuation)

hampton, North-Fast, Lab) said television ought to be persuaded to put something hack—and televi-sion creamed off n great deal of the talent—by aupporting the liv-ing thearte, from which it gained its own life.

MR FAULDS (Warley East, Lab) and by had to ndurt recently

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business

for the horticultural industry.

MR STRANG, Parliamentary
Secretary, said in e written reply;
The oil subsidy was made evailable
until December 31, 1974, to cushr long growers against the sharp and
onespected increase in oil costs
which occurred when it was ton
late for them to make major
changes in their production plans
for the 1974 season. In present
circumstances, we have no proposais for its continuance. Court of Appeal

### LDRD BESWICK, Minister of State for Industry, said they had secured agreement to asubstantial increase in their own heet quotas for internal consumption within the Community from a maximum of 990,000 tons to one of just over 1,300,000 tons, all of which attracted the full guaranteed price. Thus the element of discrimination against the new member states inherent in the Commission's original proposals had been removed. We bave also (be said) expressed our intention to move to full Community prices from Januery 1, 1975, as a further step to encourage farmers to sow this Community to maintain the muota, hut in the ability of the developing countries to fulfil the quota. They lailed by more than 300,000 tons in encourage farmers to sow this Law Report November 7 1974

### Costs in Lands Tribunal 'sealed offer' cases

appeal by the London Transport Executive against part of an order as to custs made by the Lands Tribunal (Mr E. C. Stratbon) un an unsuccessful claim by Dr Elizabeth Olga Pepys for compensation for injurious affection to e house in Gibson Square, Islington, ettributed to the running of trains on the underground Victoria Line.

Mr Kenneth Bagnell, QC. and Mr Jonathan Gauet for London Transport. Dr Peprs was not represented and did not appear, but the tourt took note of a letter from her setting oot her grounds fut ouposing the appeal. The MASTER OF THE ROLLS

Executive

Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls. Lord Justice Roskill and Sir John Peonycuick

[Judgments delivered November 5]

The Lands Trihunal erred in ordering that London Transport should pay the costs, up to the

should pay the costs, up to the date of an unconditional "sealed offer" of £500, incurred by a claimant for compensation who refused the offer hut recovered nothing before the tribunal. The Court of Aopeal held that the normal practice of aut ordering a successful defendant to pay the tusts of a party who falls to make out a claim should he followed uniess special reasons were given for departing from it.

Their Lordships ellowed an appeal by the London Transport Executive against part of an order as to custs made by the Lands Tribunal (Mr E. C. Stratbon) unan unsuccessful claim hy Dr Elizabeth Olga Pepys for compensations of the working of the line.

In 1970 her solicitors put in e claim on the ground that the ooise and vibration of the trains had affected the value of the house. A Mr Matthews had offered £18,000 for it, but then declined to buy £15,850. She said the loss of £2,150 was due to the injurious affection. Londoo Transport said the effect of the underground was no worse than that of a passing lorry and that the value had out initialised at nil. It was fair to say that they had had only 10 or 11 cialms and only three were active when the Laods Tribunal had not provided the effect of the underground was no worse than that of a passing lorry and that the value had out initially a passing lorry and that the value had out initially a passing lorry and that the value had out in the notice of the solution. Londoo Transport said the effect of the underground was no worse than that of a passing lorry and that the value had out initially a passing lorry and that the value had out it. It was fair to say that they had had only 10 or 11 cialms and only three were active when the Laods Tribunal had the effect of the underground was no worse than that of a passing lorry and that the value had out initially a passing lorry and that the value had out initially a passing lorry and that the value had out initially a passing lorry and that the value had out initially a passing lorry and that the value had out initially

Before the reference London Transport put in a sealed offer, now known to be £500, to get rid of the claim. Dr Pepys did not accept it. She went oo, and unfortunately lost; the tribunal said she had failed to establish that the market value had been depreciated by the running of the trains.

But having reached that decision But having reached that decision and opened the scaled offer the member of the tribunal said: " I find that the claimant had been

of £500; accordingly the acquiring authority will pay the claimant her costs of this reference up to the date of the scaled offer, and the claimant will pay the costs of the acquiring authority as from the date of the scaled offer."

London Transport had won, yet they were ordered to pay those costs. They wrote to ask the President of the Lands Trihunal whether that was a silp. The reply was that it was a matter in the tribunal's discretion and was not to be altered. So London Transport asked for a case to he stated on to be altered. So London Trausport asked for a case to he stated on the question whether the tribunal "properly ordered the acquiring authority to pay the claimant her costs up to the date of the sealed offer having regard to the provisious of section 4 of the Land Compensation Act, 1961 ".

The Lands Tribunal Act, 1949, and the Lands Tribunal Rules made under it gave the tribunal oulte and the Lands Tribunal Rules made under it gave the trihumal quite a wide discretion as to costs. Mr Bagnall, however, argued that hy reason of section 4 of the 1961 Act [the last three lines of subsection (3) of which refer to ordering the acquiring enthority to pay the costs of the claimant so far as they were incurred efter an offer of compensation was madel the tribunal had no discretion as to costs incurred hefore the dete of the sealed offer and that a claimant who had been awarded a sum less than the amount of the a sum less than the amount of the scaled offer should not ger those costs, though he said the practice of the tribunal was to award them.

His Lordship thought the tri-

bunal's practice of giving the claimant his costs up to the date of the sealed offer if he was awarded a sum less than the offer was well justified under the stam tory provisious and that it was not correct that there was no discretion on that matter.

But how was the discretion to be exercised where, as in the present case, the claimant had falled altogether? The practice of the courts, as also of tribunals and arbitrators, was that if a plaintiff or claimant failed altogether, no order was made whereby the successful party was to pay the costs of the plaintiff or claimant, except for very special reasons. If that role was to be departed from, the tribunal or arbitrator or whoever it might be ought to set out the reasons, particularly where there was an appeal on costs to a higher court or tribunal which would want to see whether they were proper reasons

Na sufficient reasons had been vouchsafed here, either in the case where it is not the letter from the normal practice.

SIR JOHN PENNYCUICK, also vouchsafed here, either in the case stated or in the letter from the Lands Tribunal registrar, as to why the tribunal should have ordered London Transport to pay Dr Pepys's costs up to the date of the sealed offer. That part of the order chould not cover learning order should not stand, leaving only the order that from the date when the sealed offer was commonicated Dr Penys ahould pay the costs—though his Lordship very glad to hear that in the ial circumstances London Transport did not propose to enforce any order for costs against

The eppeal should be allowed.

LORD JUSTICE ROSKULL concurring, said that though in his view the stamutory provisions gave the tribunal a complete discretion with regard to the costs incurred before as well as after the date of the sealed offer, that discretion had to be judically exercised. The member of the tribunal appeared to think that because Dr Pepys had heen offered £500 which she refused she was estitled to have ber costs up to the date of the sealed offer though is the end she recovered nothing.

That was wrong in law. However much one might sympathize with Dr Pepys, there was no difference between her and any other unsuccessful plaintiff who might have recovered less that en amount paid into court—unless there were reasons, which should be given, justifying departure from the normal practice.

SIR JOHN PENNYCUICK, also concurring, said that if the tribunal awarded costs to an ansuccessful claimant, it should give reasons for so doing. In the present case the tribunal did give a reason—but it so doing. In the present case the tribunal did give a reason—but it was a bad reason. The fact that an acquiring anthority had seen fit to make an unconditional offer which was not accepted by the claimant was clearly not of liself a good reason for ordering the authority to pay the claimant's costs up to the date of the offer. Solicitor: Mr G. S. M. Birch.

#### Science report

### Obesity: Less weight, more happiness

Contrary to popular belief, very fat people are not all Jolly extroverts; many tend to be withdrawn and miserable and to bave bouts of depression associated with an irresistible, desire to eat large quantilist of food.

Is their overeating e symptom of their underlying emotional disorders, or is it simply that their being too fat causes unhappiness, which leads to compensatory overeating? which leads to compensatory overeating?

An answer to that question has become possible since the introduction of the jejunal by-pass operation for obesity. Patients whose health is seriously threatened by their excessive weight can oow he treated by this procedure, in which 18 to 20ft of intensine is by-passed so that most of any food eaten is not absorbed from the dizestive tract.

The operation has been pioneered in Britain at Birmingham
University, and psychiatrists there
have now had the opportunity to
observe its effects on seven
patients whose obesity was associated with an urge to eat when
angry, miserable or tense.
They were the sort of patients
of whom it has been argned that
e by pass operation might be
psychologically disastrous, since it
would be treating the symptom
without attempting to solve the
underlying emodoual trouble. In
fact the seven patients have done underlying emotional trouble. In fact the seven patients have done well. They have all lost a lnt of weight; several are now less than half their original hulk. All are said to be more confident, happier and or better terms with their marital partners. No longer are they subject to moods of depression now hat arms formed.

food eaten is not absorbed from the digestive tract.

It is no easy remedy for obesity:

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hnt there may have been e para-doxical attraction in eating for-bidden food which has disappeared when, as a result of the by-pass operation, overcating has become neither dangerous to health nor a cause of guilt.

lf overeating is, as psychologists argue, a self-punishing behaviour, then it is no longer effective in that way after the operation. However, a more simple explanation is just as likely to be true: eating relieves tension and very far people may be caught up in a vicious circle in which their overweight causes decression and weight causes decression and auxiety, which is relieved by overantiery, which is relieved by over-eating, which in turn maintains the excessive weight. The relief from depression that occurs es weight is lost efter the operation breaks into the cycle and so removes the psychological cause of the exces-cive america. sive eppenite. By Our Medical Correspondent British Medical Journal, November 9, page 313.

( Nature-Times News Service.





dent Giscard d'Estaing is welcomed on board the French lear submarine Le Terrible by the commander, Captain

### plated eneral in French ircraft row resigns

lin, former French Air e Chief of Staff, today re-ed as National Assembly president after widespread ges that he hetrayed loal interests by declaring rican jet fighters to be hetthan French Mirages.

a brief press statement the eral-politician, who is 67, he left his lower chamber --presidency and left the ceopolitical party, the Reform-Viovement, "so as to be betable to defeod himself".
will retain his Assembly

rles Hargrove writes from is: President Giscard staing's decision to spend 24 rs on board the French :lear submarine Le Terrible i designed to reaffirm consively the Government's adence to an independent de-ce policy and the French

ional deterreot. He began his cruise in the lantic today, the first French esident to spend so long on ard a submarine. The gesture ces on added significance with e political row provoked by e publication of the note of roeral Stehlin on the virtues Atlantic cooperation in de-ice generally and in aircraft istruction in particular. here was no one in Parlia-it yesterday on the right, the

or even among his own ids of the centre ready ily to defend General Stehexcept M Jean-Jacques ran Schreiber, who was ked by the outburst of indr handled about in the Nat-d Assembly in scenes reminthe Drevius case, to te Le Quotidien de Paris. he Radica! Socialist leader 1 aroused irritation himself tating that "anything which eral Stehlin can contribute public debate on the right enditure of the money of nchmen and the proper man-of defending France is per-ly correct and normal". ven Le Monde, generally ve in the defence of unpopucauses, coodemns the Gen-l, not for preferring Ameri-aircraft to French, but because his note to the President found its way to The Hague; and also because the "general deputy is also a businessman and had turned himself into the defender of the weapon of an American firm of which he has been the representative in

The trade union of aeronautical and space industries said in a statement that "the last aeronautical activity of General Stehlin was that of representative for Europe of the American Hughes Aircraft Company, specialists in aircraft electroics, hetween 1964 and 1968. Thia activity does not qualify General Stehlin to judge the value of the European aircraft industry,

The announcement today that the firm had obtained from the United States Air Force a \$4m (£1.6m) contract for a radar system to equip the new American combat aircraft, the YF16 and YF17—which Geograf Stehlin preferred to Dassault's Mirage F1 M53—is regarded by M Marcel Dassault as confirmation that the General was "merely demonstrating his gratitude to his former American employers"

In a letter to Le Figaro he quoted from a report by experts of the Rand Corporation in September, 1973, praising the lodustrial methods of his firm "which could, if adopted, transform American aircraft, and the form American aircraft and the industry which produces them". When the American aircraft was operational, he proposed a mock combat with the Mirage to determine which was the

The veteran aircraft construcfor added, in a radio inteview, that an aircraft in service for two years could not he compared with a prototype not yet operational. The Stehlin affair was not commercial. political

In fact the matter is highly political: It was exploited to the hilt by the Gaullists as a heaven sent opportunity for settling old scores with the reformers of M Lecanuet, and their pro-American "Atlanticist" sympathies; and driving a wedge between them and the Indepen-dent Republicans, President Giscard d'Estaing's own party.

The rain

comes in

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Jessie was hombed ont of Coventry. That was a

sudden borror, and she was much younger. Now

she has to endure a cootinuing torment: rooms so

dilapidated that rain penetrates nearly everywhere.

And rats, which return despite rat poison. She finds

it too hard to cope now that she is old and has heart

Your goodwill could help to transform life for Jessie

and other brave old people. Your helping hand

could change her despair to the joy of living in a

simple flat designed for the needs of old people.

where she will find friendship, a helpful warden, and

the security of somewhere that is a real home. Where

also a few social workers who bave devoted their

Multiply your gift. Every £2 you send próvides £40

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lives to others can retire within their means.

do the rats

#### Common agricultural policy as 'the last hope of cheap food' in view of 'world market anarchy'

### M Jobert shows warmth for Britain

Diplomatic Correspondent M Jobert, the former French Foreign Minister, asserted yesterday that the future of Britain and France lay together in a united Europe. In a review of the outlook for the European Community, M Jobert— though he has lost none of his aversion to American influences—demonstrated a remarkable warmth for Britain.

"I am more than ever convinced", he told the Institute of Directors conference in London, "that your future is with us and that the rendezvous our two countries have made with history must this

The British damand for a "renegotiation" of the terms of entry had revived many mis-givings. "Is it really necessary givings. "Is it really necessary to question again the very principles of the common agricultural policy" he inquired, "at a time when the state of anarchy prevailing on the world market highlights its wisdom and when the wisdom, and when it seems to offer the last hope of a 'cheap

contribution (which this year amounts to some 3 per cent of the increased cost of energy) in any way to be compared with the advantages Britain can expect to gain from Europe?

Questioning whether the alarm about the erosion of sovereignty reflected a misconception or an obsolete notion of the way in which Europe works, M Jobert went on France, which after all is traditionally jealous of her independence and individuality, could be most relied upon to sound the alarm. The haggliog which was now going on seemed irrelevant.

The original vision of Europe had gone out of focus, M Jobert said reviewing the state of the Community. The common external tariff was "a hollow shell". The agricultural policy, which was to be part of a larger entity, was the only thing which had endured. As for the common rules, a large number had in effect beeo shelved.

"Is the size of the budgetary when one discovers that, by some magic, these treaties, so ofteo reviled, deemed to be a dead letter and therefore buried, have nevertheless had undeniable results."

The true begetters of Europe's economic expansion were, on the one hand, the industrialists, whu saw its possibilities, and oo the other, the officials who realized that their partners too had cootributions to make. All this resulted from the treaties.

Turning to the external situa-tion, M Johert found it incred-ible that the Community had been all too often more concerned with American interests than with its own.

"The reasons for this strange attitude are multiple: complexes engeodered by war; cowardice disguised as realism. a hasic lack of self-confidence unwarranted by economic facts; a concealed wish for fragmen-tation as well as a desire to make more powerful partners see reason." The countries of The countries Europe had always seemed to be "Our attachment to the Com-re-enacting the history of the munities can be easily explained Greek city states.

#### Spanish reaction to Rock disclosure

By A. M. Rendel

The disclosure in *The Times* by Sir Joshua Hassan, Chiet Minister of Gibraltar, of Spanish proposals for a new regime on the Rock drew acid comment in Spanish quarters yesterday.

Sir Joshua is shown, in the Spanish view, to have been less than frank. The decision to

came known in Gibraltar and Sir Joshua was under fire for saying nothing about his contact with a Spanish represen-

Spaniards also argue that the

publish the proposals was taken, to Gibraltar than Sir Joshua they believe, because the made clear, or than the proposals became known in Gibraltar and raltar would include existing interoational treaties. One of these to be concluded hefore any new regime for Gib-

raltar took effect would be a treaty between Britain and

### Signor Saragat falls out with former ally

From Patricia Clough

Rome, Nov 7 The former Italian President, Signor Saragat, has created a sensatioo by accusing his Social Democrat Parry comrade and former friend, Sigoor Tanassi, of failing to inform him about the abortive 1970 coup plot when he was in office and Signor Tanassi was Defence Minister.

Signor Tanassi, who is the party president, retorted by charging Sigoor Saragar with "a defamation campaign, bord-ering on an attempt to lynch me morally". The motive, he said, was obviously political.

The row between the two most authoritative members of the Social Democrat Party, now bitterly divided over policy, burst on the scene at a particularly delicate moment in the month-old Government crisis, already complicated by the grave economic situation and revelations of fascist coup conspiracies. The Prime Mioister designate.

Signor Moro, today reported to President Leone on the progress he has made so far in his he has made so rar in his attempt to form a government. Only last night Signor Moro got the go-shead from the secretary of his own Christian Democrat Party, Signor Fanfani, to carry on in his efforts to form a minority Christian Democrat Covernment with the market of the secretary of the secret crat Government with the par-liamentary support of the Socialists and Republicans and

without—if necessary—that of the Social Democrats.

The Social Democrats are still insisting on a full centre-left coalition, although earlier attempts by Signor Fanfani to form just such a government failed because they imposed unacceptabla conditions on the

other parties.
The Social Democrats who under Signor Tanassi, have moved markedly to the right in recent years, make no secret of their desire for fresh elec-tion in which, it is believed, they bope to gain votes from con-

servatives disgusted by neo-

fascist iovolvements in plots

and terrorism. Alone, they would be unlikely to succeed as their votes are not essential to a parliamentary majority. But it is suspected that a number of right-wing memhers of the Christian Democrat Party are thinking on the same lines and may yet torpedo Signor Moro's efforts.

In his statement last night, ignor Saragat said: In Signor Saragat said: In December, 1970, when I was head of state and therefore constitutionally in command of the armed forces, I was oot in-formed by he who had the absolute doty to do so of what was happening". "He" was clearly the Defence Minister, Signor Tanassi.

Signor Tanassi, in a state-meot today, did not reply to Signor Saragat's accusation but recalled that secret service in-formation on the plot was passed on to the Interior Ministry and the judiciary, that Parliament was informed and several

people arrested.

Accusing Signor Saragat of trying to "lynch me morally" he warned that no one should imagioe that they could make him change his political judg-

Britain does better in fight against inflation

From Our Own Correspondent Brussels, Nov 7

Comparing last September with September, 1973, Britain fared a good deal better than several other European Community member states on both the inflation and unemployment fronts, according to figures collated by the European Commission from national statistics and published here today.

Two of the countries most successful in combatting infla-tion, West Germany and Hol-land, wera among those worst affected by unemployment, and West Germany had more out of

work than Britain.
According to the figures, cou sumer prices rose in September, 1974, by the following percent-ages against the same month in 1973: Italy 20.3, Ireland 17.9, Denmark 16.6, Britain 15.8, Belgium 15.6, France 14.7, Luxembourg 10.6, Holland 10.3

and West Germany 7.3. The equivalent figures for the increase in unemployment, seasonally adjusted, were as follows: Denmark 144.7, West Germany 131.7, Holland 32.1, Britaio 20.2, Luxembourg 11.2, France 9.2, Belgium 9.1, Iraliand 7.1.

Italy, which could provide only the August figures, was the sole country to ragister an improvement of 0.4 per cent, but this still left 999.600 unem-ployed. It thus had both the highest number of unemployed and the biggest increase in con-

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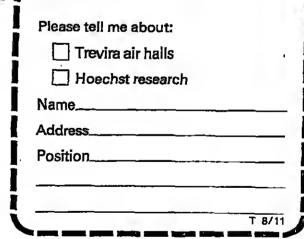
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Loedhet keeps thinking ahead

#### WEST EUROPE\_

### Aircraft lost bearings and 108 Britons died

Solothurn, Switzerland, Nov 7

A British charter aircraft which crashed into a hillside aware of this fault. near Basle, Switzerland, in a blizzard last year killing 108 through navigational errors, a Swiss lovestigating team told a public inquiry here today.

Most of the dead were bouse-wives from the West of England on a one-day shopping trip to a trade fair in Basle.

There were defects in the aircraft's radio navigational equipmeot and this, combined with bad weather and poor reception of radio beacons, considerably impeded the work of the crew, the Swiss team's report said.

Tha two-day bearing is being conducted on the basis of a 400-page Swiss report which says that information from the flight Decca recorder was that the crew did not observe the proper instrument approach and overshoot procedures and Inst their

bearings in the Basle area.
At least by implication, bowever, it also poses the question whether the pilots could not have been warned earlier by Basie Mulhouse airport that the Vaoguard with its 139 passengers and six crew was off course and aiready south of the airport in proximity to rising ground. It was snowing heavily with visibility at that beight down to

about 20 yards. "The analysis of the (flight Decca) recordings shows that oavigational errors must have led to this loss of orientation," the report adds. "The had meteorological conditions with the well-known poor reception of the medium-wave beacoo and the defects in the aircraft's radio navigational equipment which existed previously impeded the work of the crew considerably.'

The defects were technical faults in the radio navigational equipment "which existed before the accident"—including a sticking indicator needle Another radio iostrumeot fault which was noticed and reported verbally by pilots on April 9, the day before the crash, was not entered in the aircraft's maintenance logbook, the report continues.

fore not checked. It could not be ascertained whether the crew nf rbe accident aircraft were

At today's hearing the Swiss lovestigators described as regrettable the French people had lost its bearings authority's refusal to permit the air controllers who had bandled the Vanguard that morning to be present at the hearing. They are being represented by their chief air controller.

This was apparently because the bearing is taking place out-side France. While Basle-Mulbouse airport is in French territory it is operated jointly by the French and Swiss, with the former being responsible

for air control.

A Swiss official said today he failed to understand the French attitude on this, "all the more so as it is not a judicial proceeding but a public hear-

The report also says the investigation brought to light failures and discrepancies in the flying career of Captain A. N. Dormao, who acted as pilot in command on the flight from Bristol to Basle.

"For example", it adds, "he did not pass the flying test to obtain the instrument rating until the ninth attempt in January, 1971. "His total flying experience could ont be established, as the personal flight logs found con-tain a great number of discre-

pancies and are therefore to a large extent, unreliable." Solothurn, Nov 7.—Relatives of the victims-from Axbridge. Cheddar, Yatton and Congres-bury-were among about 150

people crowding a dimly-lit schoolroom ball where the ioouiry was beld. There were gasps of borror wheo a 10-minute colour film made by police at the crash scene showing mutilated bodies dismembered limbs in

bloodstained snow was pro jected for the commission. The Swiss report said the aircraft made two landing approaches to Basle airport but turned away both times. During a third approach the crew reported they were north of Basle, but Basle air traffic controller told them by radio be though they were south of the city.

#### Political pressures alleged in wine fraud trial

scores were being settled in the Bordeaux wine fraud trial, a lawyer told the court today. lawyer told the court today.

or mislabelling Bordeaux wine, M Roland Dumas, for M François George, a wine dealer, alleged strong ministerial pressure in the case and a "political plor".

The trial is taking place five months after the presidential election in which M Jacques Chaban Delmas, the former Prime Minister and mayor of Prime Minister and mayor of Bordeaux, was eliminated in the first round as a Gaullist candidate and rival of M Giscard

The judge asked. date and rival of M Giscard d'Estaing. M Chaban-Delmas bad widespread support in his

political fief. M Dumas, a Paris lawyer, went oo: "At the time the facts (of the alleged fraud) were revealed in August, 1973, there were two wine fraud affairs, one in Burgundy and another in

Bordeaux, Nov 7.-Political Bordeaux, The first was snuffed

awyer told the court today. First the Bordeaux wine
The court was bearing pleas scandal bad been damped down for the 18 defeodants charged and then it bad been given new with fraudulently adulteration of the impetus "by a faction of the then polltical regime which bad borne down with all its weight on the legal base for proceed-

lags". He went on: "Everything was done on the hierarchy sys-tem. Tax officials sent their report to the Minister of

The judge asked M Dumas to give his attention to the fraud trial and the lawyer then said that M George had known

The trial is expected to end tomortow, but the papel of three judges is unlikely to give its verdict for several weeks.-Reuter and Agence France

#### French call for a Nine agree to 'releasing of the brakes'

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Nov 7

M Fraoçois Ceyrac, president of the Freoch employers' fede-ration, called, in a television interview today, for a "releas-ing of the brakes before it is

too late".
The postal strike, be said, bad occurred when the state of the economy had taken a sharp turn for the worse. It bad cut off firms completely from their customers and their banks.

M Chirac, the Prime Minister, issued a grave warning about the damage to the economy of the present wave of labour un-rest. "The coosequences can be very serious for the country and the wage earners themselves", he said. Strikes continued to spread, however, especially on

the railways.

The postal workers' strike, now in its twenty-first day, sbows no sign of coming to an end. The latest proposals, sub-mitted by the Post Office yes-terday, were rejected.

### clean up major rivers

From Our Own Correspondent Brussels, Nov 7

As part of the European Community's anti-pollution cam-paign, EEC member states today agreed to improve the quality of their river water over the oext 10 years. The aim is to reduce pollution levels in such rivers as the Rhine, the Seine and the Thames so that their waters can be used more safely for drinking purposes.

Meeting in Brussels, covironment ministers of the Nine adopted new legislation defining maximum pollution levels in surface waters, but only after a long wrangle between the Benelux countries and the West Germans and the French.

The Dutch, who calculate that it will cost more than £300m a year to purify the Rhioe, the Meuse and the Scheldt for drinking purposes, wanted firm commitment from their two large neighbours that they would bear much of the cost.

#### Damning report on French oil company practices

Frnm Our Owo Correspondent

The parliamentary committee which was set up last June on a proposal of M Georges Mar-chais, the Communist leader, to investigate the practices of oil companies in France has produced a highly damaging report.

It asserts that the oil cnm-panies take great liberties with the rules of the market and the laws of the land; they pay practically no tax: cheat on ioformation regarding their prices and access to crude oil; carve up the market among themselves; and behave towards the state almost as a "sovereign to

or foreign, as the newspaper Le Monde points out today.

Me Laurent Schwartz,

that "the oil industry does not give the example of an activity which opens itself spnntane-ously to investigation".

The Rapporteur asserts that the Compagnie Française des Perroles (CFP) and the Entre-prise de Recherches et d'Acti-vités Petrolières (ELP) paid no company tax in France and their subsidiaries have even recovered two-thirds of what they had paid in taxes.

On the creation of industrial cartels, the report finds the two Freoch oil companies even more enterprising that foreign companies. They even acted as a screen for the subsidiaries of

foreign firms. The conclusion of the report is that control of the oil companies by the state is inade-quate. No government depart-Gaullist Rapporteur of the comment entirely covers the activimitee, says euphemistically ties of ELF, for instance.

Democrats'

OVERSEAS.

### victory continues at state level

From Fred Emery Washington, Nov 7

With state legislature election returns, like aftersbocks of the national upbeaval, showing Democratic control running still deeper, President Ford today tried putting it all behind him.

It is the second anniversary of Mr Nixoo's 1972 "lonely landslide" return to the White House, but Mr Ford was now depicted looking ahead. The budget, to be presented in Jaouary, is urgent. The diplomacy of his visit to the Far East in 10 days time needs active preparation for his meetings with Japanese, Korean and Soviet leaders.

There was also speculation, inevitably discounted, that be was considering inviting Democrats into his Cabinet. Many of its members, inherited from his predecessor look and sound aded.
Coogress, the lame duck one

is to reconvene while Mr Ford is in Japan. Senator Mansfield, Democratic majority leader in the upper chamber, has met Mr Ford in assure him that "cooperation is the word". He insisted, although he could hardly speak for it, that the new Coo-gress would not be out to "de-man" Mr Ford.

All kinds of brave new worlds are depicted in utterances from leading Democrats. Congress will act if the President will not, say both Mr Robert Strauss, Democratic national committee chairman, and Mr Carl Albert. Speaker of the House, still directly in line to succeed the President should the vacancy occur before Mr Rockefeller is confirmed as Vice-President.

In fact, most Democrats recognize their new majorities as both opportunity and bazard. Of Siege in they proposed but, largely, through disgust with the Nixoniao mess, both Watergate and the economic decline.

Democrats know better than inyone that they have no coherent plan on anything. They face opprobrium if they miss the opportunity to be constructive and cease partisanship. In a phrase, people bere, as virtually everywhere, are fed up and want their leaders to lead instead of politicking.

The final party standings are being delayed by an extra-ordinarily close Senate race in North Dakota, Oklahoma and New Hampsbire also face recounts, All are Republican.

In North Dakota they must now count the absence and postal ballors to decide. The incumbent, Senator Milton Young, is in various reports given a lead of between four and 16 with all Tuesday's vote

Assuming all Republicans bold on, the Senate Democratic majority would be 61-39 counted bere as a net gain of three, although it represents an electoral gain of four over 1972.
The close governor's race in Alaska is also waiting the count that wilderoess.

However, the Republican debacle in the House of Repre-sentatives (with a loss of 44 seats) is matched by similar collapse in elections to state legislatures. Today the Republi cans are left in control of both bouses in only five of the 50 states-dnwn from 16 after the

1972 election. This is the worst since their 1938 nadir, and it means they lose control of vital patronage appointments and state government levers, seen here as vital for rebuilding the party's

organizatioo. Among these state results, Democrats took control of both chambers in Illinois, Delaware and even a farm stronghold like Iowa. Ironically, only in Mr McGovern's South Dakota did the Republicans make a gain

in local legislative control. Maine will have the best chance to try proving the system of checks and balances works at state level. They bave elected a Republican senate, a Democratic house and an Inde peodeni governor.

The sweeping Democratic gains io the House of Repre-sentatives bave come in all main population regions and have been attributed to sharp vote switches. The Democrats gained 15 congressmen in the Middle West and won back nine in the South, where Republicans bad been gaining ground since 1952, even though Louisiana defied the trend by adding another Republican.

Mr Andreas Papandreou, leader of the Panhellenic Socialist Movement Party, greets Miss Melina

#### Monarchy election issue in Greece

From Our Correspondent Athens, Nov 7

The future of the monarchy in Greece is becoming one of the principal issues io the election campaign as political parties try to force Mr Constanine Karamanlis, the Prime Minister, to commit himself publicly for or against the return of the King to his throne.

Mr Karamanlis and his New Democracy Party, which includes both royalists and republicans, bas so far evaded the issue and avoided disunity before the elections. The Prime

Minister bas been urging the being asked to vote for " in ao parties to avoid the constitu- allusion to the exiled King Contional issue as the people would decide on it by referendum before the end of the year.

A constitutional decree passed last mouth ruled that the referendem on the monarchy must be beld within 45 days of the general elections, which are due on November 17. The other main Greek parties—the Centre Union, the Socialist Movement and the Communist Party— already have declared them-selves in favour of a republic. Mr Karamanlis's refusal to be drawn into the argument gave rise to leftist assertions

that there was a plan to scrap the referendum and impose the monarchy after the elections. Professor Andreas Papandreou. leader of the Panhellenic Socialist Movement, in fact launched the campaign slogan : "Which Constantine are you

stantine and Mr Karamanlis's Christian name.
Now Mr George Mavros.
leader of the Centre Union, who

was deputy Premier and Foreign Minister in Mr Kara-manlis's first Cabinet, and countersigned the constitutional decree oo the referendum, has challenged Mr Karamanlis and his party to make clear their views oo the monarchy.

Speaking to correspondents in Patras after a campaign speech last night. Mr Mayros said that

nothing could prevent the next Parliament from abolishing the constitutional decree, call off the referendum and impose its own solution on the question of the monarchy.
Mr Karamanlis himself has

innimated to close friends that he does not helieve the King stands any chance of returning to Greece.

Mr Miller would undoubtedly

oppose such a suggestion, on

the ground that Mr Nixon will

not be fit enough to face a

sustained cross-examination. The defendants who bave

subpoenaed bim, will presum-

ably argue that a sustained and thorough examination of the

former President is essential to

Mr John Erhlichman, ooe of

their case.

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British food

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Mrs Judith Hart, Minister:

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From Peter Nichols

Rome, Nov 7

She enlarged no the role he saw it of British belp, possibility that Mr Nixon might be interrogated by a repre-Britain was a net importer fertilizers, the most effec aid that could be given in sentative of the court in California, and that a film of field was to use money know-how in helping develor countries to produce their o Since 1970, she pointed

Britain had committed in than £25m in helping Ir build three fertilizer factor use of which would be one next week hy Mrs Gandhi, Indian Prime Minister. This more practical at sphere io fact marked much the day. The Americans set pace of such a departure by ;

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the defendants, who used to be Mr Nixon's chief adviser on the press. Mr J. Merrill Anderson, pr domestic affairs, has already called for a mistrial on the ground that his defence is irremediably prejudiced by Mr Nixon's unavailability as a witdent of the lowa Bureau F. ratioo, was instructive and the same dime properly dow earth: "While we talk al the need for increased protion in both the ocveloping the developed nations, we o talk frankly about who is go to pay for it."

#### Royal Navy team ends bomb American farmers, he disposal task in Suez Canal to ask about increased proc There can be no guarantee that all the explosives bave now been cleared, because a number of shells and hombs are the food needs their domestic customers round the world. is extremely expensive to I due food in the United Co.

of shells and bombs are feared to be deeply embedded in the requiring a substantial inv meet in land and machinery sandy bottom. But these will probably come to light during rapidly rising seed, pesticide fertilizer expenses. dredging operations. The task group bas consisted of 260 men, under the command of Commander David Husband,

Mr Harold B. Steele, presid of the Illinois Farm Bure gave assurances that farmers Abdiel and the minehunters Wilton, Bossington and Maxton —and a fleet clearance diving with the hungry of the work In fact their attitude w beyond sympathy "because ; 'ducing food is our livelihoo

#### Court to consider filming **Terrorists** defy state Mr Nixon's evidence bearing the case, mentioned the

Washington, Nov 7 The court bearing the Water-

he has recovered sufficiently to

travel any significant distance ".

By Henry Stanhope Defence Correspondent

which bas been carrying out a

bomb disposal job on the Suez Canal for the past seven months,

sailed from Alexandria yester-

day, its job completed.
Its task has been to belp

clear the canal of the deadly ordnance which has accumu-

lated there over nearly eight

years of Arab-Israeli conflict,

so that dredging operations can begin to prepare for the canal's reopening.

Argentina gate cover-up trial was told Buenos Aires, Nov 7.—Guer-rillas today defied the drastic today that Mr Richard Nixon the interview might then be would be unable to take part shown to the court. state of siege imposed by Presi-dent Isabel Perón. They murdered an Army officer, in "any activity requiring substantial mental or physical destroyed military vehicles and seized a railway station. The state of siege was decreed yes-terday as Señora Perón's ultieffort" for two to three months. Mr Herbert Miller, Mr Nixon's lawyer, who submitted a four-page memorandum on the former President's bealth, argued further that "it will be an indeterminate time before mate weapoo against the terrorism which bas Argentina edging

towards chaos. Major Hector Lopez was shot dead in Santa Fe, 300 miles north of here. A terrorist group The numerous lawyers involved in the case were saying 10 days ago that the trial might be over by Christmas. That opened fire on the officer, who was stepping into a military vehicle guarded by several would seem less likely now, but it is clear that it will finish within the two or three mooths mentioned by Mr Miller... Judge John Sirica, who is

soldiers. Other guerrillas set fire to some 20 Army buses parked in a factory ground just north of Buenos Aires.

A third guerrilla operation rook over the Avellanded rail-

way station. A guerrilla group, saying it belonged to the out-lawed People's Revolutionary Army (ERP), distributed litera-ture and spray-painted the station with revolutionary slogans.
The incidents were all in the style of the ERP, which has declared it would kill 14 to 16 Army officers in reprisal for the alleged muyders of a similar number of guerrillas captured in August. It offered a truce to the Government recently in ex-

change for captured members. Senora Peron rejected the truce. Under the state of siege, security forces can arrest sus-pects at will and bold them without trial. People can be banished to remote corners of the country and public meetings are banned.—AP.

# British hospitals

By Defence Correspondent
About 40 Egyptian servicemen who were wooded in the
October War are to be flown
to Britain for special treatment in service bospitals. The arrangement has been made at the request of the Egyptian

The Ministry of Defence is not disclosing either the date of their arrival or the hospitals coocerned, for security reasons. But the treatments being provided, which are not available in Egypt, cover a wide spec-trum, including surgical, ortho-paedic ophthalmic and skilled

example of

### for Egypt's war wounded

plastic surgery.

The Egyptian Government will pay in full for the treat-

ments received.
In another improving relations, talks are continuing on possible arms purchases by the Egyptians from Britain.

### Return of children denied to British mother

From Our Correspondent Melbourne, Nov 7

A Supreme Court judge in Melbourne has refused to order the immediate return to Britain of two children who are the centre of a custody battle. Mr Justice Harris has been told by Mr Maurice Gurvich, acting for Mrs Maureen Violet Suther-land, the former wife of Mr David Norman Sutherland, that David Norman Sutherland, that
the father had taken the children—fill, aged 9 and David
aged 8—out of the legal custody
of their English mother.
His client had been granted
custody of the children under
a British High Court consent
order, Mr Gurvich said.
Mr Sutherland told the court
that he brought the children to

that be brought the children to Australia last June "for their own well-being". "They were quite adamant that they wanted 10 stay bere".

the name of Ford to avoid detection. They had developed a good circle of friends and were bappy at school.
He bimself bad a good job

as an advertising representative. They had changed their name rey had coanged their name primarily because of the children. When questioned by Mr Gurvich, Mr Sutherland said he and his wife took the children to Spain oo a holiday and then brought them to Australia instead of returning to Britain.
Mr Jurice Harrie said it was instead of returning to Britain.

Mr Justice Harris said it was bighly undesirable that the children should be shunted from one side of the world to the other, and while he sympathized with their mother he felt the children would be adversely affected emotionally and educationally if they were returned immediately to Britain. He criticized the father for having knowingly breached a court knowingly breached a court order. He ordere him to surren-Mr Sutherland said. He told the order. He ordere him to court that the children had been der his passport until the living in Melbourne with their yas considered again father and stepmother, using court later in the year. der his passport until the matter yas considered again by the

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salem, Nov 7

Kissinger, the American mary of State, arrived here ht to be met by urgent ines from his hosts over an rent shift in American lle East policy sioce the summit meeting at Rabat. l leaders have interpreted rks by President Ford and rificial spokesmen as indig a move towards recogniof the Palestine Liberation nization (PLO) as a oego-

e Israel Cabinet had earlier ssed discrepancies between 'ord's statements and those nerican officials. Mr Allon, oreign Minister, expressed s to the Palestinians and they would be taken up Dr Kissinger.

over the West Bank and

the airport Dr Kissinger red that there had been lange in Middle East policy his last visit. Israel mini-were seeking amplification as assurance tonight at a ing dinoer in the home of Rabin, the Prime Mini-The status of the PLO in light of the Rabat summir's sion was expected to he the f topic of talks lasting into

early bours. elcoming Dr Kissinger at Mr Allon described the sions of the Rabat conferand the United Nations
ation to the PLO to take
in next week's General
ambly debate as "counterluctive" to achieving peace. assinger recewed his pledge the United States would peace on a step by step

d said that Israel should otiate "with either Jordan he PLO" his was described by Ameri-officials as a slip of the gue, but yesterday Mr Ron

om Our Correspondent

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Under these conditions", said, "I'm afraid that Secre-

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om Our Correspondent 24 bours as a result of con-ikara, Nov 7 flicting statements by Arch-The Turkish Government hishop Makarios and acting

isis which has been simmering President Clarkos Clerides. The nearly two mombs came to two Greek Cypriot leaders took

iew of Turkish crisis

full consideration must be given to the legitimate interests of the Palestinian people if there is to ba a just and durable settlement in the Middle East." The United States would try to assist the parties to get negoriations started.

The Israel Embassy in Washington claimed subsequently that American officials had denied that the statement represented any change of policy and had said that the United States had, neither in the past "or today", asked Israel to negotiate with the PLO.

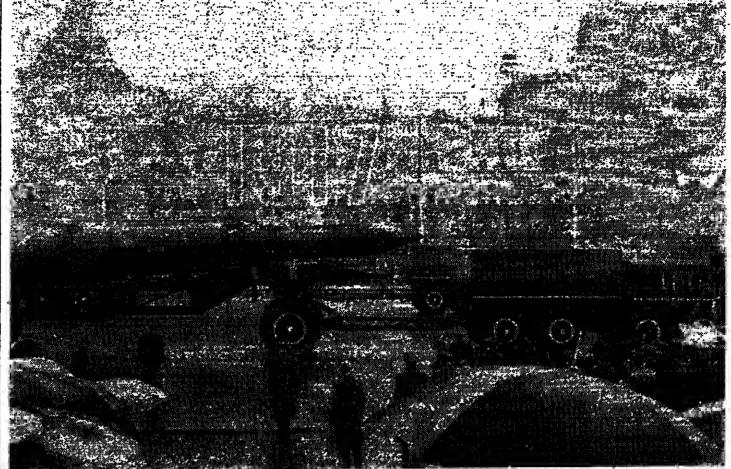
Mr Rabin emphasized in the Knesset this week that Iarael rejected totally the idea of negotiations with terrorists. Dr Kissinger is known to bave come under pressure in Arah capitals to try to persuade Israel to modify its stand towards the PLO, and, in view of King Husain's insistence that Jordan has dropped out of the peace negotiations, he has little alternative hut to seek some formula to soften Israel's line. His chances of success are small.

Some commentators here, by microscopic analysis of Mr

Rabin's Knesset apeech, have implied that he may have left a loophole as he did not name the PLO when he said that Israel "will not negotiate with terrorist organizations". The whole context of his speech, however, was a denuociation of the PLO and, in his referenca to the Rahat summit, he accused Arah leaders of giving respon-sibility for the establishment of a Palestinian state to "organizations of murderers ".

This seems to rule out re-consideration of the compromise suggested to the cabinet before Rahat hy Mr Yariv, the Infor-mation Minister, that Israel arlier this week President should agree to negotiate with any party that recognized it as a sovereign state and which re-nounced intections of destroying

kesman asid Mr Ford stood planned an 18-hour stay io the statement. Asked to Israel before heading for ify this, Mr Nessen said the Tunisia and then home.



A missile is driven in the Moscow military parade yesterday past a crowd of spectators sheltering under nmbrellas.

### Peking's anniversary overture to Moscow

Moscow, Nov 7.—China told the Soviet Union today that thay should hold talks simed at the conclusion of a nonaggression treaty and the separation of forces in disputed part.

The proposals were made in message from Peking to Soviet leaders, marking today's fifty-seventh anniversary of the 1917 Revolution, according to official Chinese sources in

The Kremlin frequently has asserted that China consistently-rejected or ignored Soviet proposals for a non-aggression pact, and Chinese officials have indicated that they regarded the suggestion as "Russian hypocrisy".

However, the Peking message, s translated into Russian by

understanding reached at a meeting in September, 1969, hetween Mr Chou En-lai, the Chinese Prime Minister, and Mr Kosygin, his Soviet counter-

The message-seen as the most conciliatory known to have come from Peking to Moscow in recent years-also pledged that the Chinese Government would hend all efforts "to defend the revolutionary friendship" between the two peoples.

The message repeated assertions in past revolution anniversary messages from China to the Soviet Union that differ-ences of principle between the two countries should not hinder the oormalization of inter-state relations".

It also said: "Above all, the mutual understanding achieved the Chinese sources, said the in September, 1969, at the meet- Soviet chief negotiato idea was part of a mutual ing of the prime ministers of to Moscow.—Reuter.

the two states—that an agreement should he signed on nooaggression, non-use of force, maintenance of the status quo on the frontiers, the prevention of military conflicts and clashes, the separation of forces in dis puted regions, and the solution of all frontier questions through talks—should be adhered to."

The message, which was not immediately reported by Soviet news media, appeared to mark a basic shift to official Peking attitudes to Moscow. Since 1969, the two countries

bave heen intermittently dis-cussing their differences over the border question at talks in Peking, but hoth sides have reported no progress. The talks are helieved to have heen in suspense sioce the summer, when Mr Leonid Ilyichev, the Soviet chief negotiator, returned

Edmund Stevens writes from Moscow: For the first time, the traditional civilian march past to celebrate the fifty-seventh anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution was cancelled today hecause of the rain.

The military parade was held as usual. Braving the wet and

cold weather and the risk of pneumonia, Mr Leonid Brezh-nev, the party leader, led the members of the Polithuro up the steps to the parapet of the Lemn mausoleum, which like every thing else in Red Square had hean thoroughly rejuvenated. Marshal Andrei Grechko, the Minister of Defence, delivered his customary brief opening address. This time it was devoid of military bombast. The emphasis was on peaceful co-existence in foreign policy and on the progress of the Soviet economy. Leading article, page 17

### S African ministers speak of need for reform in racial policies

bead today, resoluing in the opposite views on the merits of cellation of Dr Henry Kissin 's one-day visit to Turkey, American Secretary of In an interview with an e was to have arrived here Italian magazine, which was also opposite views on the merits of a federal system based on a least thick was also opposite views on the merits of a federal system based on a federal system ba South Africa's ruling Nationalist Party has begun, for the first time, to advocate to its supporters the need for reform instead of pandering to their racial prejudices. Four Cabinet ministers called for changes in speeches at the party's Cape Province congress last night. Their words were cautious by international standards but unpublished here this morning, the Archbishop stated: "I shall the Archbishop stated: never accept a federation with President Korustham of a geographic basis."

that he had asked to be In contrast, Mr Cleritation never accept a federation based In contrast, Mr Clerides, in a remarkably frank exposition international standards but unusual in the South African conof the Cyprus problem at a text, and appear to have been Nicosia public meeting last night, urged Greek Cypriots to designed to prepare the party's rank and file for radical adjust-

accept such a solution as the not be able to take place." only way to ster Mr Ecevit blamed the settlement. only way to reach a negotiated This was the first time that Mr Clerides publicly arged such a realistic approach. If he had

tellation of the Kissinger t on the conservative ional Salvation Party, his ner coalition parmers.

Nicosia Correspondent the Turkish invasion of last the Search for a solution the Cyprus crisis has ded a traitor by the majority of Greek Cypriots.

Foreign Affairs, said that South Africa's international image could be improved by the elimination of unnecessary irritations

The shared at present. The From Michael Knipe Cape Town, Nov 7 South Africa's ruling Nationalbetween the races.

The Deputy Minister of Bantu Administration suggested it was time that "unnecessary irritat-ing legislation, which was necessary in its time", should be removed from the statute books. Mr van der Merwe, the Minister for Coloured Affairs, emphasized the need to get rid of outworn practices

The Government's opponents ments to racial policies. Usually ministers use their party conheen impressed by the radical change of emphasis among the Nationalist Party leaders. When Mr Botha, the leader of the party in the Cape, described the people classified gresses to reassure the party con-faithful that apartheid will he maintained as strongly as ever. Mr P. W. Botha, the Minister of Defence, said the Govern-ment intended to remove all as Coloured as "brown South Africans", and said that "to share such things as cultural legislation which was contrary to the policy of fairness; and Dr H. Muller, the Minister of people is no threat to anyone

Very few cultural amenities

are shared at present. The ministers all emphasized, howministers all emphasized, however, that they were oot abandoning their faith in the Republic's apartheid policies. Mr Botha said he was not ashamed of apartheid, "but if it is implemented with clumsy fingers and heavy hands, it can lead to South Africa's going under".

Dr Muller spoke of the seriousness of South Africa's rosi-

ousness of South Africa's posigave a warning that world atntudes towards the Republic had sbarpened as a result of the collapse of Portugal's policy in Africa. However, he contended that the Republic's reputation for oppression and violation of human dignity was largely due to a misconception of South Africa's policies.

Leading article, page 17 salute.

#### Simonstown to be trebled in capacity

From Our Own Correspondent Cape Town, Nov 7

South Africa is embarking on an extension of the Simonstown naval base which will treble its capacity.

When the extension has been completed in about five years, the barbour will be able to berth between 40 and 50 ships. The cost is estimated at about £10m.

the plan has been taken in the belief that wbatever the outcome of the British Government's review of the Simonstown agreement, the base will still play an important role in the defence of the Cape sea route, according to government

The French destroyer Tour-ville sailed into Cape Town harbour yesterday to a 21-gun

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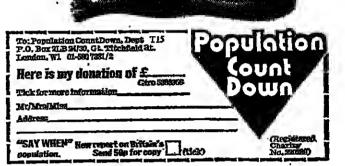
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#### 0 casualties feared in ew Angola violence

uanda, Nov 7.—Violaoce order, had not yet collected all incruated by intermittent of the bodies. oring, erupted near the urh last night. According to colan radio and newspaper orts, up to 50 people were ed or injured. leanwhile, Dr Mario Soares,

Portuguesc Foreign ister, met today secretly a resentative of the Angolan argents in Tunis. The ionalist negoriator said a ic agreement had been ched to hold further talks the decolorization of the ican territory.

or Soares conferred for two

urs on neutral ground in the usian Foreign Ministry with Johnny Edouardo of the golan National Liberation int. "Our talk was absolutely itive", Mr Edouardo said er the talks. he trouble in the Angolan

ital started when a white lian was slashed and beaten death by a gong of Africans terday. Firing broke out en soldiers went into the m area where the incident urred to fetch his body. One lier was killed by automatic

be exact number of dead : not immediately known, as troops, called in to restore

of the bodies.

Luanda representatives of two of the three main Angola. liberation movements deplored the violence. Mr Herminio Escorcio, representative of the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola, told re-porters that the trouble was "the work of bandits who are relics of colonialism' A commander of the Por-

counter - insurgency

troops sent in to clear the slum area where the incidents occurred, said those responsible used automatic carbines, grenades, plastic explosives and machine pistols.

Four hundred prisoners, areas to be a survey of the survey arrested in the previous waves of violence in Luanda, have reor violence in Luanda, have re-cently heen released from the São Nicolau peoal colony in sputhern Angola, and many who escaped from Luanda's prison in June are still at large. Spokesmen for police, military anthorities and liberation movements suggested that the recently released prisoners might be among those respons-ible for last night's violence.

The latest outbreak of vio-lence came hard on the heels of the disturbances of Tuesday night in which two people were killed and several wounded.

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#### Police assault on detained Africans alleged

Pretoria, Nov 7

assault on detainees by the security police were the subject of an application to the Supreme Court. The application was for an order restraining the police during the period of detention from assaulting the five people named, interrogating them in any manner other than that pre-scribed and permitted by law, employing any undue or unlawful pressure on them or subjecting them to any form of unlawful duress.

The names of those on whose behalf this order is songht are: Mr Lindiwe Mabandla, aged 29, former vice-president of the South African Students' Organization and a member of the Black People's Convention; Mr Sathasivan Cooper, aged 22, formerly public relations officer of the Black People's Convention; Mr Revabalan Cooper, aged 22; Mr Mosinoa Lekota, aged 28, who was permanent organizer of the South African Students' Organization at the time of his arrest in September; and Mr Munru Myeza, secretary-general of the South African Students' Organization.

application to Supreme Court is being brought in the case of four of the men

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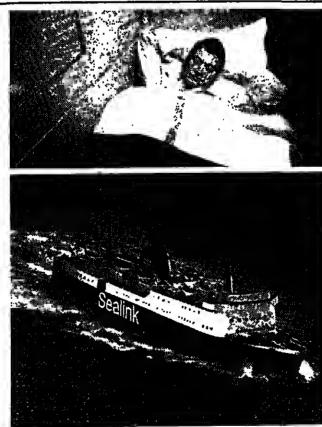
his fiancée. In an affidavit Mr S. M. In an affidavit Mr S. M. Chetty, a lawyar, states that he saw Mr Sathasivan Cooper oo October 22. Wheo they were alone Mr Cooper said: "There are many detainees who are being brutally assaulted by the special branch."

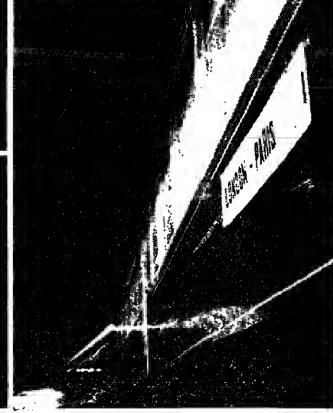
It is alleged that Mr Mahandla and Mr Revabalan Cooper were most severely assaulted, that neither of them could walk, and thar Mr Cooper'a knee was "husted".

Counsel for the Minister ot the Police and the Commissioner of Police submitted that Mr Chetty's evideoce was discredited

A doctor had visited the detainees on various occasions, one on the morning of the appli-cation and found no evidence of physical or emotional assault A senior magistrate had also visited them twice and there was only one complaint of assault which the complainant later declined to press further. The judgment is expected on Monday.

Our Cape Town Correspondent writes: The security police car-ried out several raids early today arresting and detaining black people under the Terror-





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#### **Jarcos regime** lans to old referendum

fanila, Nov 7.—President roos of the Philippines plans hold a referendum in Janu-to pronounce on his tworold martial law regime, the sidential palace said last

t added that Mr Marcos exted to hold a referendum on egular hasis every January order to continue "the sent dialogue between the erned and the governor . according to the palace the sident last Sunday told visitofficials of the Chase Mantan Bank that the Govern-"will submit its entire rations to a vote by pcople".--Agence France

#### Destitutes throng Bangladesh camp Hundreds of families huddle throughout the country in

From Michael Hornsby Mirpur, Bangladesh, Nov 7 At the Mirpur relief camp, about 10 miles outside Dacca, some 3,000 destitute peasants are waiting for the autumn rice barvest to get under way so that they cao return to the fields from which they were driven by hunger and lack of

Many of the inmates are skeleton cases—particularly the more recent arrivals—and the percentage of small children among the most severely emaci-ated is high. Dysentery is common and there is a pervasive stench. The camp is set among the half-completed buildings of an abandoned soap factory, which form a rough square round a fetid pond. There are also some open-sided makeshift

on strew mats with their few recent mooths. belongings, usually no more than a battered tin food bowl or two, and perhaps a bundle of rags; but grim as the conditions are, they are preferable to being left to starve on the

streets of Dacca. For breakfast, the camp inmates get some biscuits, a little milk and a roti, a thin flat round piece of hread. For lunch there are two roti, supplemented by

a thin vegetable gruel, and in the evening some more milk. veral wells hava been sunk in the camp to provide more or less fresh water and a doctor pays a visit twice a day. So far, according to the camp super-intendent, there have been no cases of cholera, which has

taken some thousands of lives

Every day for the past two months the Dacca city authorities have sent out 10 lorries with orders to pick up people from the rural areas. Mr Sayed Rezaul Hayat, the

Deputy Commissioner of Dacca, "There was a tremendons influx of people from the rural areas, about 3,000 to 4,000 a day, after the floods in July and August. They lived in the railway stations and in the streets."

Most of these people were landless peasants, who depend for their livelihood on what they can earn as labourers during the sowing and harvesting seasons, which were badly dis-rupted by the floods this year; and work in the fields was hard

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### Vittadini's gesture of good will

By Michael Phillips Racing Correspondent

Racing Correspondent

Habat, the highest rated English two-year-old in last year's Free Handicap, bas retired from racing and he will stand as stallion on our National Stud at Newmarket next year. Habat will still belong to his Italian owner, Carlo Vittadini, and Keith Freeman, the bloodstock agent will continue to manage him, a role that he has done most successfully for Dr Vittadini for a number of years.

It is as a gesture of good will to

number of years.

It is as a gesture of good will to British breeders that Dr Vittadimi has insisted on standing Habar on a stud in this country, a way of saying thank you for the hospitality that he has received here.

He has certainly enjoyed a great deal of success in England. It know that he could have sold Habat several times over to go abroad. In the past Dr Vittadini's colours have been carried by such good performers as Exar, Palatch, No Mercy and Brook in this country and, of course, he is in the happy position of owning the winter favourite for next year'e 2,000 Guineas, the unbeaten colt, Grundy. It has been agreed that Habat will stand on the National Stud for a minimum of three years at £1,500 a nomination.

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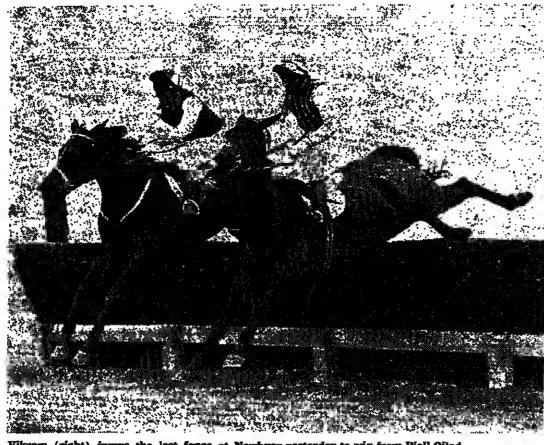
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Being by the very successful young stallion, Habitat, and out of one of the Aga Khan's best female families, Habat has B very interesting pedigree. His great grand dam, Rivaz, was superbly fast and B half sister to Nasrullah, one of the most influential stallions world wide. Habat's three-year-old career did not match expectabous, partly because the ground was so firm at the height of the season, but there can be no doobt that he was e very good colt when he won the Norfolk Stakes at Royal Ascot, the Mill Reef Stakes at Newbury and the Middle Park Stakes at Newbury and the last year.

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These may be gloomy times in many respects but one young man who has no cause to complain is Peter Condell, who began training on his own only at the beginning of this season, having assisted his father, Ken, for seven years. Peter Cundell has only 14 horses in his yard et Compton but he has non 17 process placed with the condensation of the condensatio ivon 12 races already since National Hunt racing started again this season. Yesterday at New-bury both Fire Red and Stalonist were splendid examples of the very thorough way that his horses have been taught their business. Fire Red had not run under National Hunt rules before yet he won his division of the Wood Speen Hurdle in e canter. An hour later Stalonist, running for the first time since Jahuary, dominated the Halloween Steeplechase from the

Both Fire Red and Stalonist were ridden by John Francome, one of the best young borsemen in the game, and both horses have suffered from leg trouble in their time. Fire Red's tendons were pinfired when they began to give trouble after he had finished third



Vikrom (right) jumps the last fence at Newbury yesterday to win from Well Oiled.

Cheltenham two seasons ago. Running for the first time in a steeplechase, King Pele hit the fourth fence very hard, fell and hroke his off fore knee. David Nicholson, his trainer, had no option but to ask the veterinary surreup on the snot to pan him.

in the Irish St Leger two years ago. He was gelded and given plenty of time in which to make a full recovery. Yesterday he totally outclassed his opposition, showing that be at least has bridged that great clasm that divides the world of flat racing and hurdle racing. of flat racing and hurdle racing.

Due can still see where Stalonist pulled the tendon off his pear hind hock running in a burdle race at Chepstow as a four-year-old and it is possible that it is that old injury that tends to make him hang to his left when be is under pressure. He optiumped all his rivals yesterday but pearly threw his prize away by hanging really badly at a crucial moment on the run in. at a crucial moment on the run in.
This gave Pitman and Pengrail
the chance that they must have
been hoping for but not expecting.
However, Francome managed to
straighten Stalonist just in time. Stalonist is a full brother to that good steeplechaser, Stalbridge Colonist. They were both bred by Harry Dufosee, a familiar figure in West country National Hunt circles. Mr Dufosee was there to see Stalonist win and Cundell is now boping that this nice borse will margage to qualify for the

now boping that this nice borse will manage to qualify for the Wills Premier Steeplechase final. His race yesterday was marred by an eccident to King Peie, who won the Gloucester Hurdle et

surgeon on the spot to put him down.

This then was a bitter sweet efternoop for Nicholson who had just watched his promising five-year-old, Yanworth, win the Curridge Steeplechase. This was Yanworth's third victory in succession. The other steeplechase, the Winterbourne Handicap, was won by the top weight, Vikrom, but only after she had had a battle royal with Well Oiled all the way up the straight. Riding Vikrom, Pitman got full marks for tenacity throughout this tussle with Bill Smith on Well Oiled. However, I hasten to add that the result might have gone the other way if Well Oiled had put as much heart into his finish as the winner did.

Smith was waving his whip like surgeon on the spot to put him Smith was waving his whip like B magic wand at the finish but be was unable to conjure a positive effort out of Well Oiled, whereas Vikrom rallied really well for Pit-

Steeplechase and the Whithread Gold Cup, is to make his first sppearance this season in the Cowley Novices' Hurdle at Cheltenham today. A crashing fall at Newhury last October, that shook his confidence, and troublesome splints combined to ruin his season last winter. At his best this gay jumper shoold enjoy his return to the arens and I know that trainer, Fulke Walwyn, thinks thet he will take all the beating in the world take all the beating in the world this afternoon in e race of this

Park Lawn is my selection for the Lansdown Hurdle. To fancy his chance one must really cast one's mind beck to this time last year when be won consecutive races at Nottingham and Sandown Park by beating Arctic Actor and Supreme Halo. His victims on those occasions cannot be underrated, yet his opposition this afternoon looks mediocre. His initial effort this season was encouraging. effort this season was encouraging.

Cheltenham also stages a qualifying race for the Wills Premier

Steeplechase final, to be run at

Haydock Park on January 18. This beat ought to be won by either Tenspir or Loop.

Jade (Mrs J. Craig), 7-11-1 Well Ollod, b g. by Cassing-Naarly Gooe (Str C. Cloret, 7-10-8 W. Smith 11-2 Jav. 2 Clare Dawn, ch m. by Prince Hansel —Twilleht Elave (Mrs A. Gran-tham), 6-10-12 ALSO RAN: 9-2 The Sundance Kid 4th, 10-1 Mirvin, 33-1 Marungu. 6 Jan. 18-1 Mirvin, 33-1 Marungu.

3.0 (3.3) CHEOUERS HURDLE (Han-dicap: £690: 3m 120yd)

TOTE: win, £1.57; places, 519, 150, 22p, 25o, G. Balding, of Weyhili, 71, sh hd.

3.30 (3.341 WOOD SPEEN NURDLE (Div II: £408: 2m)

(Div II: £408: 2m)
Monstone Lad, b g, by Faust—
Arctic Lad : Mrs. F. Davidson':
5-11-10 . J. Clover 17-4 fav)
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5-11-10 . D. O Oonovan (11-2)
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iMrs. E. Vestey), 5-11-7

### 150 PAN: 5-2 Joint Venture, 14

ALSO RAN: 5-2 Joint Vendure. 14-1 Gronos. 26-1 Clood Drift, Grock Shot, Gronal. Le Toy, Merchant of Venice 1-mi. Plumbers Bridge, Royal Sherry. Slimi Walf. 5ir Barrymores. Thomas Edwards. 15 run. TOTE: win. 26pr places. 15p. 28n. 35p S. Mclior, at Lambourn. 2'sl. 31. Natif Solitaire did not run.

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JACKPOT: Not woh. Pool of
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6-10-11 ... A. Winber (11-4: 3
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2.15 (2.46) BIDDULPH STEEDLE CHASE (DIV B: ETT): 2m 40yd, Tusean, er 9, by Forling D-Mors Maid (Mr N, Henderson), 5-10-8 Mr N, Henderson (15-8 lav) Alpanstock, b 7, by Yufgan-Cho Alpine, Mr H, Thomsson, 7-11-5

Alpine Mr H. Thomson: 7-11-5
Bob Gasche, br g, by Prince Silver
— Gewurtztraminer (Mr F, Alling-ham: 6-11-5 R, R, Evans: 11-1
ALSO RAN: 7-2 Harcelettin 14th
11-2 Banguo, 9-1 Sunny Chief, 14
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5.15 (5.16) AUDLEM STEEPLECHASE (227) 2m 40yd (127) 2m 410yd (1

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man, Charlie Potheen, the winner in his time of the Hennessey Gold Cup, John Smith's Great Yorkshire

### Coup de Feu gets new goat as companion

Socb are the complexines of soch are the complexibes of equine psychology, that the other day a New York iswyer found himself with the task of tracing on behalf of a borse, a de-borned male goat, castrated. The lawyer represents Mr Tim Sasse, the owner of this year's Eclipse Stakes winner, Coup de Feu, and the goat was required as a companion for the horse, who shares his box at Lambourn with an animal of similar bourn with an animal of similar specifications hot whose regular companion was not permitted to enter America.

Officials of Laurel racecourse in

Maryland, where Coup de Feu will run on Saturday, in the Washington DC International, are proud of the fact that they found the goat within three hours of the request from New York reaching them and Conp de Feu is now happily in-stalled in the racecourse stables at

642,500 to the winner. It will bring out a field of nipe, with three representatives from France, three from the United States, ope from Germany, one from Ireland and Coup de Feu for England. In addition to Big Spruce, the hest performer on grass in the United States this year, America fields the useful hut not top class Golden Don, who will be ridden by Golden Don, who will be ridden by the French jockey. Jean Crugues, and the fast filly, Desert Vixen, who will be running for the first time on turf. Desert Vixen gal-loped on the grass course for her first experience of the footing this morning and seemed to go well. Ireland is represented by Mist-

But for sheer strength, no country is fielding a better contingent than France in the shape of the much-travelled Dahlia, Margouillat and the toogh Admetus, who is not far behind top class.

Margonillat, third to Allez France in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, looks as though that race did him no harm. Dahlia was rated 6th behind Margonillat in the recently-published French Free Handicap (3th if weight for sex allowance is added back) but as that is based only on form shown

Inal choice for the first fiftee in Saturday's race.

LONDON BETTING: 4-5 Dahlia, 5-1 Desert Vixen, 8-1 Big Spruce, 9-1 Margordilat, 14-1 Golden Don, Admetus, 40-1 Coup de Feu, 50-1 Mistigri, 66-1 Igloo, 100-1 Marduk.

# igri, the mount of Brian Taylor, and winner of the Irish St Leger, and Germany by Marduk, the winner of the German Derby and St Leger and the Grosser Preis von Baden. But for sheer strength, no country to fielding a batter contingent.

since 1969 and Hoylake since 1970.

John King, of Rothmans, said they had considered pulling out of tennis altogether, but the Lawn Tennis Association had persuaded them to continue to back a series of relatively minor tournaments of great value to the general health of the British game. Rothmans would also continue to sponsor the Albert Hall tournament at the heginning of the year. "We decided it was better to spread our net as widely as possible rather than pnt all our money into one that is based only on form shown in France, where Dahlia has hardly run this year, it is difficult to accept that this is a true reflection big event like Bournemouth."

There are indications that within the next few weeks Green Shield Trading Stamps may to some extent follow Rothman's lead. But John Dewar, chairman of the "whisky circuit's" management committee, said in Edinhurgh yesterday: "We have always worked from year to year. We will be reviewing next year shortly after the Albert Hall finals. Personally, I hope that we don't pull out. But I wonder whether we would ever again be ahle to run It in the style in which we started. The concept has changed. We will probably have to look at whether we run a circuit or a pressige event."

This year, for a variety of reasons, Dewar's compromised with the shortest of the seven circuits they have supported: preliminary tournaments in Cardiff and Edinburgh before a "pressige" week of big names and big money et Billingham and the Albert Hail. The semi-final round of the singles in Edinburgh will be: Mark Cox v Trey Waltke, Richard Lewis v Zeljko Franniovic, Virginia Wade v Mima Jansovec and Isabel Fernandes v Joile Heldman.

Lewis, aged 19, is 6ft 24in tall, a left-hander from Barnet. He has reached the last four in Cardiff and Edinburgh and on each occasion has won in straight sets against

accept that this is a true reflection of their respective merits.

Looking at Dahlin this morning it was difficult to believe that she had such a busy geason culminaring in her victories in the Man o' War Stakes in New York and the Canadian International Championship, in Toronto. She was bucking and kicking as she was led our on to the grass course by her travelling companion Hippodamia and pulled hard when allowed to do a sbort canter.

Sandy Bartlay was present to American horse, Blg Spruce, will mean that the scene is set for Sat-urday's mile and e half race worth allowed to do a soort camer.

Sandy Barclay was present to ride Copp de Fen in a mediumpace workout over six furlongs and the Eclipse Stakes winner looks well, but I shall not be opposing Dahlia-when making my final choice for the first three in

### Fair Dandy to defy penalty

Northern Racing Correspondent Doncaster mixes its racing today

Doncaster mixes its racing today and tomorrow, and the going promises to be equally good on the flat and jumping courses. During the summer the turf for the National Hunt tracks has been generously fertilized, and every fence has been rebuilt. The Spurt on Sprint Handicap over five furlongs (3.45) might produce a finish similar to that at Haydock Park over the same Haydock Park over the same distance six days ago when Fair Dandy beat White Hope by one and a balf lengths in the Coventry Cathedral Handicap. In that race Fair Dandy, ridden by the season's leading apprentice, Sean Salmon, made all the running under the stand rails and throughout the last furlong he was always holding the persistent challenge of White Hope. But Fair Dandy, trained at Middleham by Harry Blackshaw, is now, with his penalty, bedly in at

Cheltenham programme

[Television (BBC2) 2.5, 2.40, 3.10 and 3.40 races]

Dailyaide, 10-1 Flammula, Hunting Song, [2-1 Good Argument, 14-1 Water Golour, Composite, 16-1 Rally Driv c. 20-1 others.

130 MICKLETON STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £704: 2m)

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2.5 WILLS PREMIER STEEPLECHASE (Qualifier: £1,255: 21m)

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3.10 CHELTENHAM STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £918: 3m 1f)

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5.30 (3.32) DURHAM PLATE 15207

2.40 LANSDOWN HURDLE (4-y-o: £612: 2m 200yds)

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the weights with David Robinson's good and highly consistent three-year-old.

Disregarding the apprentice allowance Fair Dandy meets White Hope on 7th worse terms, and this is a large pull in the weights fur B beating of one and a half lengths. However, Blackshaw, who paid only 210 guineas for Fair Dandy as B yearling in 1970, is not viewing the return match this afternoon in any spirit of pessimism. Although it is flying very much in the face of the form book 1 take Fair Dandy to confirm the Haydock form in what might be e close finish.

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End Plate (1.45). He has been on a racecourse only once, but in that race, a fortnight ego at Doncaster, be was beaten one and a half lengths by the odds-on favourite, Brawny Scot,

# (GB), 6—2, 9—8, strockell, strock

**Bournemouth event** 

time, was pressed to a tie-breal which Lewis won by seven point to three. Lewis must have a chan-against Franulovic. who has a stif-back that yesterday induced him to scratch from the doubles.

of the women, two South Amercans, Miss Fernandez and Raque Ciscafre, were particularly active In the morning they played fooths for the women players against press team. In the afternoon the opposed each other in a livel and structive singles and, short afterwards, went back on confor a doubles in which they be a British Wightmen Cup player Lesley Charles, and Susan Mappi. But the week has produced a better substitution of the women's game than the match which the dimutive Miss Jausone only 18, won 6—3, 6—4 again Joyce Hieme, who is 12 years wise There were some lovely rallihere. Mrs Hume is still fit, aginand capable of admirable term.

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women's DOUBLES Semi-round : Miss Fernandez and : Giscafro beal Miss L. Charles : Won jershire) and S. Maopin : Vorksh 7-3.7

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Rothmans of Pall Mali, the

oldest and most generous spousors of British tennis, have withdrawn their support from the British hard

court championships played at Bournemouth and the North of England championship at Hoylake. They have sponsored Bournemouth since 1969 and Hoylake since 1970.

than put all our money into one big event like Bournemouth."

There are indications that within

By Rex Bellamy Tennis Correspondent

Rome, Nov 7.—India today declined to carry out their threat to seek South Africa's expulsion from the 1975 Davis Cnp tennis competition beceuse of South Africa's apartheid sports policies. The International Lawn Tennis Federation's Davis Cup committee meeting here today awarded the 1974 trophy to South Africa because of India's refusal to meet them in the final.

The American chairman of the seek South Africa in final, be told reporters. The South African delegation of the winner of the 1974 competition as the committee's eighth mem did produce his proposal for expulsion of India, Mr Woods Sud tarty evidence produced by Khanna, the South Africa deate withdrew the proposal.

Mr Woods said: "We deply South Africa in final, be told reporters.

them in the final.

The American chairman of the international federation (ILTF), W. Harcourt Woods, told reporters that India had not raised the sobject of South Africa's expulsion at today's meeting. But the Indian delegate, Raj Khanna, said the matter would be raised in the committee's July meeting.

Mr Woods told a press conference that the All-India Lawn Tennis Association had made every effort to play the final but bad been prevented from doing so by the Indian Government. Mr Khanna, who is secretary of the All-India Lawn Tennis Association. produced "official letters signed by responsible people in the Indian Government to support his case."

Government to play the final but bad would undoubtedly be raised future meetings of the commi and probably at the July assem "After all, it is South Africa will be disrupting the compeddon". said. On the 1974 Davis Cup fit be said: "India would have pla Mr Woods said. As a result the committee decided by a substantial majority not to take any disciplinary action against India for refus-

But after examining the docum tary evidence produced by Khanna, the South Africao d gate withdrew the proposal. Mr Woods said: "We depl Mr Woods said: "We depi such interference by Governme bringing politics into sport." said the committee was tryin; formulate a proposal for next ju ILTF assembly in London to see the problem. But he added: is very difficult. I don't know we're going to do it." we're going to do it.'

After the press conference. Khanna told Reuter that the q tion of expelling South Af would undoubtedly be raised permitted by the Coverns But Government policy as it regarding apartheid in South Af meant that we could not h played." -Reuter.

#### Only two left to maintain continental red line

By Geoffrey Green Football Correspondent Only Leeds United and Derby

County Leeds Omited and Deroy County now remain in confinental club competition to carry the flag for Britain. With Liverpool, Hibernian, Dundee United, Cork Celtic and Portadown all gone the Hibernian, Dundee United, Cork Celtic and Portadown all gone the thin red line becomes thinner.

Without question, from an English angle, the performance of Wednesday night belonged to Derby. Held 2—2 et home in the Midheods in the first leg of their Uefa tie by Atlético Madrid, it was odds on the Spamiards, last year's beaten European Cup finalists, moving on in their presence of their passionste \$0,000 supporters in the Vicente Calderio stadium. When Luls put Atlético ahead within the opening four minutes the future seemed predictable enough. Yet in due course the essessment of Dave Mackay, the Derby manager, proved to be right. He had said before the match that the Atlético was suspect and so it proved when Rioch and Hector hit back to put Derby ahead with half an hour to go. Luis, however, brooght Atlético back again to 2—2 with a brilliant free kick berr around the defensive wall.

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around the defensive wail.

There the battle remained ped at an overall figure of 4—4 at the final. whistle. Penalities then decided the affair and it was not until the 16th kick when Boulton, the Derby goalkeeper, turned Eusebio's shot against a post that a decision was reached. Derby, with all the odds against them, were a decision was reached. Derby, with all the odds against them, were through magnificently. They are now in the lest 16 with sides like Borussia Mönchen, Gladbach, finalists two vears ago, FC Cologne, FC Twente, the Dutchmen of Enschede, and SV Hamburg still in the hunt.

Leeds United, for their part, strolled comfortably into the last eight of the European Cup at the expense of Ujpest Dozsa, the Hungarian champions. Not without Cost, however. In the process Hunter suffered an Injury to ligaments in the right knee which may jeopardize his place in the England side for the European Championship match against Portugal at Wembley in 12 days' ome.

With the mid-season break

For the Record

Snooker

DUBLIN: World emsteur championthill, seventh tay: M. J. Lafir (Grylon)
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1-3: A Library (Wapublic of Ireland),
1-4-3: Wall (Wapublic of Ireland),
1-4-3: Wall (Wapublic of Ireland),
1-5: A Library (Wapublic of Ireland),
1-5: A Library (Wapublic of Ireland),
1-5: A Library (Library of Ireland),
1-5: E. Binclair (Scotland),
1-6: E. Binclair (Scotland),
1-7: E. Binclair (Scotl

sbout to operate in certain o finance to repair their undignif

position in the shallows of the f division with Bremper now back provide a more subtle drive midfield with Giles. midfield with Giles.

The European Cup final this it is to be et Hampden Park, Glasse Leeds now face a field contain Bayern Munich, the holders—the was a masterly 2-1 win in Magburg with two vital goals by ever dengerous Müller—Barcelo Ararat Yerevan (the Soviet chaptions). Anderlecht (Relgint pions 1. Anderlecht (Eelgiut Ruch Chorzow (Poland), Arti-herg (Sweden) and St Etienne. ' French champions. It is an int esping field with the chance of World Cup final repeat perfor ance between Beckenbauer a Cruyff if Bayern Munich a Barceiona can avoid each other

Second round winners EUROPEAN CUP: Anderiochi, Hi Chorzow, Bayern Munich, Lerds Unit Attidaberg, Barcelona, Bi Elicone Artidaberg, Barcelona, 81 Elicinic / Artidaberg, Barcelona, 81 Elicinic / Artidaberg, Bursaspor, Bendi Nilmo, Red Blar Real Madrid, Dina Marida, Barcelona, Barcelona, Barcelona, Colonea, Barik Ostrata, Dinamo Orden, Fortuna Düsseldori, Oralia Pragi Partizan Belgrade, Pwentie Enschwicker, Bernstein, Bursaspor, Bernstein, Bursaspor, Bernstein, Bursaspor, Bursaspor, Bursaspor, Barcelona, Barcelon

Yesterday's results REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Hind Town 4. Cambridge University I. RUGRY INION: Representally match: Kent II 17. Combined Londord Roys 14. Schools nutices. Etch Wordsworth 24. Hardyc's ... Chalbade Combined College. O's Lawrence 29. Chelicable St. Chelicable (18. Lincoln College. O'slord it: Monkit Combe 4. Kinn's, Bruton 8.

Tonight's fixtures POLICE ON STATE OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERT

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GDLQUHOUN SCULLS: Semi-limits Studies (Lady Margaret, heat Chi Pembroke, by 15 sec in Smit Roselle (Lady Margaret) best Roselle (Pembroke, by 23sec in Soit Josef. BUSHE-FOX FRESHMEN'S SCULLS
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McLintosh (Lady Vargaref) by Classe in
Amin 46sec.

Doncaster programme [Television (IBA): 2.45, 3.15 and 3.45 races] 1.15 HOPEFUL HURDLE (Handicap: £451: 2m 150yd) 400-20 Oceanes (A. Bacco), Bacco, 6-11-4. C. Shaw X. 0103-02 King Gipsy J. Adami, G. P. Hebiya, 4-11-1. S. Little 7 (401 A03g-10 Oceanes (W. Chapman), Whiston, 4-11-1. R. P. Munro Oceanes (W. Chapman), D. Chapman, 5-10-3. K. McCanley Oceanes (W. Chapman), M. Tale, 5-10-4. J. James Oceanes (W. Chapman), M. Tale, 5-10-4. J. James Oceanes (R. Kilsin), B. Kichmood, 5-10-5. R. Dickin S. Oceanes (M. Chapman), Marphy, 4-10-5. R. Dickin S. Oceanes (M. Marphy), Marphy, 4-10-5. C. Carlet 7 (M. Marphy), Marphy, 4 1.45 BACK END MAIDEN PLATE (£483:12m 50yd)
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Super Mex (J. Adam), M. McCourt, 4-9-0 ... J. Brown 3
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Pathylis (G. Payne-Crofta), R. Akehurat, 6-9-0 ... J. Brown 3
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218 003-00
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6-4 Wells Fargo, 4-1 Fixby Gold, 8-1 Hillrol, 6-1 Braerise, 8-1 Rosie Way. 1.45 BACK END MAIDEN PLATE (£483: 12m 50yd) 2.15 TOWN FIELD HURDLE (Handicap: £715: 2m 150yd) 511 011-01D Two for Joy (F. Mumford-Smith), P. Roham, 4-10-0 R. Dickin et al. 22133-2.45 WILLS PREMIER STEEPLECHASE (£1,253: 21m) PREMIER STEEPLEUHASE (21,233, 2124)
Madhom (R. Gough), T. Corrie, 7-12-0
Winter Rain (F. Tyldeslay), A. Dickinson, 6-12-0 M. Dickinson
Roisvian (J. Biako), G. Owen, 5-11-10
Duffin Cout (P. Parkinson), J. Berry, 6-11-7
Killerby (Charlotte Lady Reay), W. A. Stephenson, 6-11-7
Killerby (Charlotte Lady Reay), W. A. Stephenson, 6-11-7
T. Stack 3.15 GUYS AND DOLLS MAIDEN PLATE (Div I: 2-y-o': £690: 3.45 SPURT ON SPRINT HANDICAP (£828:5f) 607 510 611 240430 Court Kettle (C) (H. Crawford), E. Cousins, 4-7-7.

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M. Thomas (D) (Mrs Shaw), E. Weymes, 7-7-7. 0.00000 Targrave (CO) /J. Croft), O. Ooyle, 6-7-7 M. Thomas 10 0.00040 Buckfastiolsh /J. Wintert, T. Fairhurst, 5-7-7 L. Johnson 15-8 White Rope, 7-2 Fair Dendy, 9-2 September Sky, Dave, 10-1 Court Kettle, 12-1 others. 4.15 GUYS AND DOLLS MAIDEN PLATE (Div II: 2-y-o: £690: P. Edder P. Teesside Park results 1.0 (1.2), STAINSBY BECK FILLIES

PLATE (2-)-0 filles: (207; 5fi

Dutch May, ch f. by Maystreak—My
Old Outch Mar C. Bocklon (1.8)

Satin Song, or f. by Song—Rosy
Ribbon (Mr D. Robinson (1.8)

Blue Tab. b f. Songrave (10-1)

R. Hutchinson (1-11 lav (1.8)

ALSO RAN: 7-1 Tal Mahal, 20-1

Privy Court (14h), Canadella 53-1 Dolben Gen, Cassy, 8 fan.

TOTE: Win, £1.22; olaces, 10-p.

Easterby, at Plaxion, 1/4, 1/4.

### Doncaster selections

By Our Northero Correspondent
1.15 Ballymoy. 1.45 Wells Fargo. 2.15 Canadius. 2.45 Anglo Scot. 3.15
RED SUN is specially recommended. 3.45 Fair Dandy. 4.15 Jetador.
By Dur Newmarket Correspondent
3.15 Morning Song. 3.45 White Hope. 4.15 Thornton Green.

#### Cheltenham selections

By Our Racing Correspondent 1.0 Porter's Precinct. 1.30 Golden Soi. 2.5 Loon. 2.40 PARK LAWN is specially recommended. 3.10 Kilvulgan. 3.40 Charlie Potheen.

#### Newbury results

1.00 (1.1) WOOD SPEEN HURDLE (DIV 1: \$403: 2m1 (Div t: £102: 2m]
Fire Red, b h, by Salvo—Moeru
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Marron D'Or, ch G. by Indigenous
—Loughahan iMrs Mathesoni,
—Loughahan iMrs Mathesoni,
—1:12 7 ... D. Yntomer 13-11
Markarajah, by Mrddan Rubert
Filmoark (Mr. A. Sunderland 112-11
ALSO DAN) - V. O. Interdese. D. Sunderland [123-1] S. ALSO RAN: 7-2 Inventory, 20-1 Cumulus King, Galloway Edillor, Indium, 7enecoon (4th), 35-1 Blarncy Time, Crendle Charlotte, Lunar Walk, Miss Broccholl, Stiphado, 12 ran TOTE: Win. 199; places, 12B, 51c, 16p, P, Gondell, af Compion, 1 sl. 44.

1.30 (1.31) CURRINGE STEEPLE

CHASE 12794: 3m)

Yanworth, b b, by Arctic Slave—
Foxtloogh Lord Vestey), S-10-13

Colondine, br 3. King (evens fav)

Diaphragma (Mrs K. Dudgeon), 7-10-10, R. J. Own (9-4 fav) 2

Hurry Imp, b 3. by Javelot—Rising (6-1) 3

Gold (Mrs O. Negor-Farcy), 3

411-10 P. Beasant (6-1) 3

Redder's Boy, b 9. O'Donovan (8-1)

Redder's Boy, b 9. Galentie—
Red. Warning (Mr A. Hgobs), 10-10-5, Mr P. Hobbs (14-1) 3

ALSO (RAN; 5-1 Brokopondo, 11-1

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at Stow-on-the-World. 11, 21/
2-0 (2.5), HALLOWHEN STEEPLE-CHASE IT, SSE 2n 160ydi
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7-11-8 ... J. Francome (20-1) 1
Pengrali, b e. by Pendragon—
Sovereign Oncen Mrs C.
Morton), 6-11-8
R. Pilman (15-B fav. e
name unregistered (Mr
Source), 6-11-8
Fundal (Mr
Source), 6-12-8
Sydney Carton, 7-1 Trust Vulgan 14th),
14-1 Garrymust, Liciar, 33-1 Platans, 5unnymede, 10 ran.
TOTE Win, 22-40; phres, 55p, 12p,
45p; dual forscast, 51.77 P. Cindell,
oil Comolon. 1-1.151. Frango did oot

2.30 10.311 WINTERBOURNE STEEPLECHASE Handicap: 2675: 2m 160yd) Vikrem, br m, by Menelek—Dancing Uttoxeter

12.45 (12.47) HARTINGTON SELLING
HURDLE (DIV I: 2304: 2m 180yd)
Lot One, ch f, by Three Dons—Time
Signal 1M H. Manocest, 3-9-10
Mr H. Evans (9-4 fav)
Jane Again, ch f, by Spartan General
Moselle Mist (Mist M. Jarvia:
1-11-5 S. A. Taylor (100-30)
Ruoby Princess, b (, by El Gallo—Anne II (Mr P. Heary), 3-9-11
Joff Williams 120-11
ALSD RAN: 13-2 Donble Rum [10]. ALSD RAN: 13-2 Double Rum (u).

Baier Pal. B-1 Travells 9-1 Deny's
Cottage (4th) 10-1 King's Fings 10-1
Noomaco. 20-1 Masle Magnie 1p1,
Young Ducking of Pace's Dorling,
My Sophia, Blythe Spirit, Her Grace

1.15 (1.15) BIDDULPH STEEPLE-CHASB (DIV I: £272: 2m 40yd)
Royal Throst, b g, by Light Thurst—
Boyal Account (MFS G. Greenbaigh), 5-11-1
K.B. White (2-4 if lav. 1
Traite de Pain, b h, by Misti IV—
La Paix (Mr A. Grogan, 6-11-12
S. A. Taylor 19-4 ji fav. 2
Moon Trip, b g, by Blost—Flight's
Orchid (Mr A. Connell:, 6-11-5
Mr C. Saunders (20-1) 3
ALSO RAN 9-2 Chaitoner (7, 10-1)
Sovereign View (7: 12-1 Garadoc,
Royal Joke, 16-1 Khalcipite, 30-1 Istemurada (4th:, Levelled Om, Muscaici
II, Nest Curris, 12

II., New Curtis. 12 ran.

1.45 (1.47) HARTINGTON MURDLE

(Dir U: E274: 2m 180yd)

Sarcide, b h, br Alcide—Grey

Sister (Mrs L. Clay) 5-11-11

Kathn Bounty, b l, bw Wcish Ruke—

Siren Giri (Mr J. Beddon) 5-10-3

Silvor Rondo, b e, F. Ganth, 5-10-1

Silvor Rondo, b e, W. Grey

Hasty Rondo (Mrs. C. Jamos),

5-10-4 ... K. B. While (25-1) 3

ALSO RAN.—3-1 II lay Wotsh Sone,

12-1 Jim Barclay, 16-1 Kelly Homes,

20-1 Ismed (f., Mrs Madeleine (f.,

25-1 Sayrao (4th), Country Cousin (f.,

Wanley IIII (f), Break Free (e), Naval

Power 15 ran.

2.15 /2 i'i MARKET ORAYTON HAN-OIGAP STEEPLECHASE / 2544: 3m., Bontley Boy, b g, by Manicov— Poblinders Mr H. Gibboni.

1.30 (1.32) LEVEN HAHDICAP (3-y-o: £254: 1m)

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Westpaire Faicon, ch C. by Faican—
Katle Daley (Mr G. Blgor), 8-0
D. Gray (13-8 fav).

Wolds Way, br f. by Frankincenso—
Gypsy Race (Mr L. Smith), 7-12
Den Regan, bg. by Don II—Regan
Honey (Mr E. Moghes), 7-5
G. Silmmontis (12-1)

con. 35-1 Vimaville, Forerunnor. 8 ran.

3-45 (7.15) ECCLESHALL HURDLE
(Handicap: Cogo: 2m 180yd;
Littlegnod Beau, b g. by Ron—High
Fashlon (Mr J. McGaughey)

3-10-8 A. Webber (14-1) 1

Gay Perch. b g. by High Perch.
Gay Houther (Mr H. Smart)

8-11-7 J. J. O'Neill 115-8 fav: 2

epics Boy, b g. by Space King—
Pin's Princess (Mrs. M. Gillins)

5-10-2 ... R. Dicken 19-51

3-ALSD RAN: 5-1 Great Park, 7-1

1 Junied, 8-1 Pencis-ly, 10-1 Molford

Grove (14h) 1-1 Charley Arile, Past

Allondon, 20-1 for Gust. 25-1 Segret

Company (14h) 1-1 Charley Arile, Past

Allondon, 20-1 for Gust. 25-1 Segret

TOTE DOLUME: Stareton, Turcan

77-69, TREBLE: Roys! Turcan, Reni
ley Boy, Silver Night. 27-73 ALSO RAN: 5-1 Ardono, 8-1 Tid.
Whitename, 12-1 Flattoim Jack (14b.)
Scott, 20-1 Goldbills
Son, 3-8 Seaton Sands, 10 ran.
TOTE: Winston Sands, 10 ran.
TOTE: Winston Sands, 10 ran.
48 dual foreast 122. F. Collingwood, al Middleham, 34, 44. CAP (24) LOHDOHDERRY HANDI-GAP 12.45: 2 m)

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Murton Crass. b m. Bird 1

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2.30 (2.32) LUSTRUM BECK PLATE (2-5-0) 2276 61 Feariesa Boy, ch e, by Yellow God -Madam Clare, Mr D. RobinTOTE: Win. 96p: piaces, 23p, 27p, 20p, R. p. Davey, el Newmarket, 11, 11. 3.0 (3.4) HORTH YORKSHIRE HAHDI-CAP (5-y-0: \$441: 67)

Burwell, b c, by Shooting Chant— Red Sails (Mr E. Brown) 1.4 

son), 8-11 ... J. Scaprave (13-2) 1
Crolestin, br 1, by Sunny Way—
Sular Telegram Mr G. Reed),
R-8. ... E. Hide (8-1) 2
geody Valley, b 1, by Wolver Hollew—brapetus (Mrs. J. Lewin),
B-3. ... P. Edderg (1-3 fav.)
ALSO RAN: 9-2 Marchuna (4th.)
6-1 Polonium, 11-1 Sewine Maid, 12-1
Cool Hand Like, 14-1 Seximyaide, 16-1
Scales, 3-1 onder, 19-1 Seximyaide, 16-1
Scales, 3-1 onder, 19-1 Seximyaide, 16-1
Scales, 19-1 onder, 19-1 onder, 19-1
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3.40 COWLEY HURDLE (£340 : 3m)

S.50 (3.54) DURHAM PLATE 15:207:

1. million be, by Hishland Melody

- Sucky Maid i Mrs A. Eastingy;

Birthday Parade, br E. Hide (3.2) 1

Brown), 3-7-11 O. Gray M12-4;

Derichano, br, by Dorring-Do
Princess Orrienne i Mr A. Cum
Princess Orrienne i Mr A. Cum
Princess Orrienne i Mr A. Cum
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### me tour facts to ponder in se England expects

Correspondent irne, Nov 7

d anyone he expecting beat Victoria in the fourtch which starts tomorrow, e some facts to ponder, ctoher 1970 MCC sides on 1 Australia, West Indies, nd Pakistan, have played -class matches, other than of which 18 have been two lost and only two

le two victories, one was d by Illingworth's side asmania, who barely rate class opposition, the other the Pakistan President's t wickedly difficult pitch at indi. The two defeats were oria, in the correspondine o lomorrow's, and by Bar-earlier this year. In all le there has not been one ting success on a gond gainst either an Australian West Indian island, an zone or a scratch side in

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defeated Bich's boat for the 't lo challenge.-AP.

Bich for

ur the possession of a good wrist spinner. Had MCC had une of these they would probably already this week bave beaten South Anstralia. As things are, to break Anstraba. As things are, to break the deadlock we may have to wait for a helpful pitch, ea at Rawalpindl, ur weak opposition, as at Hobart, or the tensions of a Test match, or a generous declaration, or a sudden flash of unwonted brilliauce, which several uf Denuess's side, himself included, have it in them to produce.

it in them to produce.

As it happens, it could be that Victoria will provide MCC with their first victory over one of the five Sheffield Shield sides since South Australia, were beaten after a declaration in December, 1968. They have only one top-class batsman in Redpath—Stackpole, Sheahan and Lawry all played for Victoria before their retirement—and only one present Test hower in toria before their reprement—and only one present Test bowler in Waiker, although Higgs, who took 11 wickets in helping them beat Western Australia the other day, is obviously a threat. Higgs is a leg spinner, like Jenner, who alone of the South Australian bowlers, had MCC's batsmen in much trouble last weekend.

After much more rain than

after much more rain than usual, spread over many weeks, the pitch at the Melbourne Cricket Ground is sure to he slow. So far this season the fast bowlers, Lillee included, have at times been reaching the wicketkeeper on the first bounce. The ball is expected to turn later in the match, though never at any page.

Denness, unfortunately, is still feeling the after-effects of the attack of 'flu which kept him out attack of 'flu which kept him out of the first game at Port Lincoln. After blood tests and an X-ray examination today the doctor says that, although there would seem to he nothing much the matter, it would he wiser for him not to play tomorrow. He would probably baye missed one state match before the first Test anyway. On MCC's last tour Illingworth, theo

races on west

Yachts eligible will be those with handicap rating to international offshore rule—from 16ft to 70ft in Divisions A and B. The

first long distance race on July
13 will be either between Clyde
and Crinan for all divisions or
from Dun Laoghaire to Crinan
for Division A and Bangor to
Crinan for Division B.
The distillers are providing
prizes for each division

the captain, missed the match against New South Wales which follows this one, through being run down. By Brisbane he was fit In Denness's case there will be

In Denness's case there will be no need to worry if the autibiotics which have been prescribed achieve their purpose. He was in good form tonight at the reception which the Victorian Cricket Association traditionally give when MCC first arrive in Melbourne. This was a delightful occasion with the Ponsford's mixing with the Pons and the speeches striking just the right note. ing just the right note.

ing just the right note.

Amiss is fit to play for MCC, but not lo field away from the bat for fear of throwing his arm out again. There were nets this morning, in sunshine and on reasonably good pitches, and if the people of Warrnambool could have heard how much the party seem to have enjoyed yesterday's visit there they would be delighted. As MCC's aircraft took off from Warrnambool, with the locals waving farewell, I had the same kind of feeling as when, on the way to Australia in the fifties, our ship sailed away from the Cocos Islands after dropping the provisions. Next time in Australia it would be good to go far into the outhack, perhaps to Termant Creek or Alice Springs, on ecricketing mission:

MCC: D. L. Amiss, D. Lloyd, J. H. Edrich (captain), K. W. R. Fleucher, B. W. Luckhurst, A. W. Greig, A. P. E. Knott, F. J. Titmus, G. G. Arnold, P. Lever, R. G. D. Willis,

N. G. D. Willis.
VICTORIA: I. R. Redpath (captain), R. Baldry, R. Bright, J. D. Higgs. R. Nicholls, J. W. Scholes, A. J. Sieler, L. Stillman, G. Tambjun, A. L. Thomson, M. H. N. Walker, G. Yallop.

POONA: West Indians, 333 for 5 dec. IV R. Richards 102 not out, C. C. Greenidge 661; West Zone, 23 for no wall.

Table tennis

Leading players Distillers sponsor compete for coast of Scotland bigger prizes Tomatin Distillers Company amounced yesterday their sponsorship of Scottish yacht racing in 1975, in conjunction with the Clyde Cruising Club, Tomatin will underwrite the Comet Wheel series of races to be held during Glasgow Fair Week from July 18 to 26.

Britain's leading eight men and four of the leading women will compete for £500 prize money in the Nissen Invitation table tenuls tournament, at Oulton, near Leeds, this evening. this evening.

The first prize in the men's

event will be £125, the first time that more than £100 has been paid since the limit on prize money for invitation events was remove

for invitation events was removed this hummer.

The competitors will be:
MEN: 0. Neate (Clevaland: T. Taylo. (Bedfordshire). D. Dooglas (Waryickshire). N. Jarvis (Cleveland: A. Hydos (Yorkshire). G. Barnos (Essex Wasker (Cleveland: D. Parker (Lancashire). WOMEN: J. Hammersley (Burkinghamshire). L. Howard (Surrey). K. Mg (bess) (Middlesex). S. Lisie (Cheahpre).

Rugby Union

### All Blacks players of dubious pedigree

From Peter West Rugby Correspondent Limerick, Nov 7

After their indifferent starl gainst Combined Universities in Cork yesterday the All Blacks can be under no illusions about the be under no illusions about the threat posed by their next opponents, Munster, here on Saturday. Seven internationals have been picked for the Munster side, although Moss Keane, the Irish luck, is a doobtful starter because of a shoulder injury sustained in training. Brendan Foley, of Shannon, is standing by non, is standing by.

non, is standing by.

The All Blacks themselves will be fielding what Is virtually their strongest side. The captain and number eight, Lesde, the Inck. Whiting, and the wing, Barty, will be their only players who appeared yesterday. Whiting bruised a tingh in that game and missed today's training. The prop, Lambert, was also missing with some shoulder trouble. One of the new flankers, Knight, who is a doctor, went with them for physiotherapy treatment, at hospital. treatment, at hospital.

treatment, at hospital.

The manager, Noal Stanley, aays that he expects Whiting to be fit for Saturday's match. On yesterday's evidence, Writing needs all the match practice be can get. The Universities effectively cluttered up his line-out activities, but he hardly got of fithe ground for a proper jump al lafternoon.

The All Blacks began their training visit to the new National Col-The All Blacks began their training visit to the new National College of Education in Limerick by closeting themselves in a changing room for well over an hour. Their coach, John Stewart, is no extrovert conversationalist, but it is to be presumed that he was in consistently good vrice on the subject of yesterday's trailities, most notably the quite uncharacteristic performance at ruck and mani-

formance at ruck and maul. These, of course, are early days, and there are certain extenuating circumstances for a below-par performance. But a short tour is a crash, programme, and the All Blacks, now facing a series of hard-

opponents, have little time to get things right. I have to sa ythat in retrospect their showing yesterday was the worst I have even seen from an All Blacks team and that includes the occasionally poor midweek performances on the last tour.

As a shrewd judge remarked.

if they had not been wearing the black jersey in Cork, who on earth could have guessed where they came from.

Illustrated.

Fortunately, ease with the pen

and the spikes do not often go to-

gether. In the end we look for

in these circumstances I expec ted to see e really strenuous train-ing period this afternoon, but this was far from being the case. They began by spending the best part of half an hour on some rather desultory touch rugby, the forwards being opposed to the backs. They theo spent a longer period spinning the ball through the three-quarters from line-outs. The I bad to leave to file this report, before they had started any scrummaging practice.

What happens in training is often misleading, but if Duncan Robertson, the All Blacks' shining new hope at stand-off, takes all bis passes standing still, as he did roday, his backs will be facing some problems in the next few weeks. Sidney Going's service was not often put in front of him, so that he could take the ball going forward, and I got an impression that their great scrum half still was feeling the odd twings from new hope at stand-off, takes al was feeling the odd twinge from his ankle injury.

Cape Town, Nov 7.—A former international player, Ian Kirkpatrick, is to replace Joban Claassen as trainer of the South African rugby team now touring France. Mr Claassen, suffering with severe influenza, was today admitted to bospital at Nice, where the Springboks opened their tour by beating a Provence side 10—7. The touring side have moved on to Lyons, where they will be joined by the new trainer.—Agence France-Presse.

Horse show

### Rest agrees with Sportsman

New York, Nov 7.—David Broome, of Great Britain, took the lead for the individual championship at the National Horse Show at Madison Square Garden last night when he rode Sportsman to victory in the international jumping speed competition. The win gave Broome a 22-10 margin over Dennis Murphy, of the United States team, who rode Tuscalonsa to third place in last night's class.

Eight horses jumped the 12 barriers without a fault. Sportsman and Broome finished the course in 37.2sec. The runners-up were Hen-drik Snoek, West Germany's solo representative, on Rasputin, with a time of 37.9sec, Tuscaloosa and Murphy weni round in 38.3sec.

the United States remained on top by a 24 to 22 margin over Great Britain. France are third with eight points and Snoek, going it alone, has compiled six points for West Germany. That is two better than the performance of the Canadian team. They, in turn, are tied with Commandant E. W. Campion, Ireland's lone rider, at four points.

Broome said of Sportsman, after the winning ride: "This horse is damned mice. He doesn't get a lot of work because he neither needs nor wants a lot. He was oot only four times last week at the Washington show and tonight was his first look here. But rest seems to agree with him. He won tonight and that's what counts.—Reuler. and that's what counts .- Reuler.

I have always thought that the ideal athletics correspondent would be a former Olympic decathlon champion who had also won a Pulitzer Prize for sports and then, as she rose to the top and then, as she rose to the top and then, as the bloodshed reporting. For those of us who like keeping our jobs there have been some disturbingly close approaches to that ideal combina-

Two productions: best all-round woman in the world and best all-round book

she was 11. First she learned to accept the bitter sectarian strife and then, as the rose to the top in sport, even as the bloodshed iocreased, she was determined to do what little she could to heal the breach between Catholic and Processant. As she reveals in this tion, including the American Processant. As she reveals in this marathon runner, Kenny Monre, book for the first time, she felt who writes so well for Sports she could avoid being hissed efter the strength of the strength her gradual conversion to atheism from the time of ber mother's early death. She is happy to say sbe and her coach, Buster McSbane, were made "as welcome in the Shankill Road as in the Catbolic Falls. I try to belp young nr old people in any way that can

gether. In the end we look for a partnership between champion and reporter to produce the clearest insight about competition at the top. We could hardly have a happier literary marriage than that between Mary Peters and Ian Wooldridge which has given birth to Mary P. Autobiography (Stanley Paul, £2.75). Miss Peters, as all the world knows, was Olympic pentathlon gold medal winner in 1972 and Wooldridge, as readers of the Daily Mail and edmiring colleagues know, was chosen Sports Journalist of the Year in 1972. unite our community Even in the moment of triumph in Munich when she won the pentathlon, the shadow reached out from Belfast with a death threat to her telephoned via the Israeli team's headquarters were the Olympic village. Mary Peters, at first surrounded by security, still returned early to Belfast for a ricker-tape parade

1972.
Apart from their separate talents of winning on the track and in the press box. "Mary P." end "Woolers" share one important asset for facing the troubled world of the seventies. That is the capacity in look beyond the winning post and the walls of the stadium and appreciate that life is much more complex than one hie playing field. only a few months laier Buster McShane, the coach whose dynemism meant so much to her, was killed in a car accident. Left on her own it was typical of Miss Peters's determination that she decided to train alone for her final appearance at the Commonwealth.

Looking beyond the winning post still remember that she ended that last pentathion of her career by walking across the Christchurch stadium to greet some chairbound paraplegic competitors.

This is a moving story about an ordinary athlete who matured through haodicaps and bardship, but also great good bumour, to become the best all round woman athlete in the world. I do not agree with Mary about the unimportance of a team captain in athletics she felt differently berself, once and her fulsome praise of team manager, Mares Hartman, may he manager, Mares Hartman, may nee partially prompted by gratitude for the way Miss Hartman has recently tried to enhance her professional career since retirement from amateur athletics. There are times when what are supposed to be Miss Peters's own words into a tape recorder hear too intrusively the stamp of Wooldridge's typewriter for all the horsen way of the horsen way on the control of the control keys. For all the human warmth of the book I would have preferred more technical and statistical in-formation, though the 18 pages of photographs are a rich boous.

But hiw far ahead of the usual "ghosted" sporting biography is this successful collaboration. Wool-Ihis successful collaboration. Wood-dridge has written with the same skill with which he administers dry Martins, and Mary Peters has talked with the same gusto with which she has often told the latest Rabelalsien tale to all "you lovely, had fells in the neest".

bad fellas in the pre Neil Allen

### Playing the game by the rules

Until recently I was unaware that my knowledge of sport lacked such information as the inversion rule in Boules or the duration of a paddleball match. Nobody had a paddleball match. Nobody had asked me end I am not expecting them to do so, which is a great pity because I know the answers, or et least know where to find them, having ecquired a remarkably ambitious book called Rules of the Game (Paddington Press Ltd, £6.95). It is otherwise described as "The Complete Illustrated Encyclopedia of all the Sports of the World" which is one of its less accurate stateof its less accurate state-

ine ots. The book, which weighs three pounds (an important point if your do-it-yourself bookshelves are as uncertain as mine), contains the illustrated rules of over 150 sports and games and is being published In both Britain and America. It would seem that more copies are expected to end up on the American coffee tables than in private libraries of England. It is a book to have rather than read—invalto have rather than read-marking trable on those rare occasions when you want to know the weight of e javelin or when junior has been set a project on some esoteric pastime. In those terms, I would dare suggest that it is the best guide ever produced and certainly the meet colourful and heautifully he most colourful and beautifully

. The immediate temptation is to turn to a subject about which one

they received information from the official governing bodies of the sports concerned. In the processing and presentation of that inforruation, it was inevitable that the pedantic reader would have room to be critical. But the whole aim of the book is to explain, visually if pussible, the rules of sports about which you may know nothi ag.

The second temptation is to think of some obscure game or sport, perhaps peculiar to England. and England has a lot of peculiar sports, and be offended when out finding it mentioned. This would be unfair if the editors had not made themselves vulnerable by using the indefensible phrase "the recombined engagement of the complete or the specific part of the complete or the comple complete encyclopedia". If there are 150 sports on the 320 pages, there must be another 150 unmentioned others being played somewhere in the world.

Silght confusion is caused by the frequent use of Americanisms though these rarely hinder and the diagrams solve most of the doubts. In fact, I found the diagrams by far the most interesting aspect of the book, especially on those sub-jects which seem to have won popularity primarily through ex-posure on television. This applied to show jumping, moto-cross, but not professional wrestling which, presumably and rightly in my view,

growing sports, squash and gymnastica, for instance, are well and precisely covered, but the editors have not cought up with one of the latest and most interesting sports inventions, hangelicing. Karate and its reladous, except the current rage. Kung Fu, are there for the trend followers.

Obviously, the purist is going to find some faults: a few examples might be that no motorcyclists would use the term "scrambles racing" or try to race on a grass track with e machine "suitable for short road races", cricketers with a find therelies is interested. might find themselves in inactive areas of the field if they followed areas of the field I mey followed the field plecings shown in the diagrams. Small criticisms indeed when surveying the work of 38 people over four years. My only doubt is whether there is a British market for such e lavish production—the publishers may have uverlooked the fact that only in the last few years have the British become more sports minded and less football obsessed. Or perhaps they heve gauged that feeling al just the right moment and will ride on the new waves of enthuiasm for participant sports. This is no book for anyone who claims to he interested in sport hul whose interest wanes at 4.45 on Saturday afternoon.

Norman Fox

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#### **Gamblers** who stake their lives on a cure

Gamblers Anonymous, the organization which this week critized the Bishop of Durham for saying that gambling can be fun, helps compulsive gamblers to help themselves.

Peter Y last placed a bet on March 23, 1972. He holds the date close to his beart, because it is like a second hirthday to it is like a secood birthday to him. His life had become such misery before then, and has improved so much since, that he eees bimself as having been reborn.

He was n compulaive gambler, and so was his father, a London doctor. They both found aslva-tion through Gamblers Anooymous, a body that was formed on the model of Alcoholics Anonymous in America and has recently completed its first 10 yaars in the United Kingdom.

Peter, aged 27, was the eldest of three childreo in a home progressively wrecked by his father's gambling. "It started when I was five and my mother was baving my aister, their third child. At a time when she needed him most he was out there sitting in a bridge clubhe comes from a family of world-class bridge players. That

was where his gambling started. "He progressed to the dogs and horses, and aoon crossed the invisible lines from controlled gambling to habitual gambling to compulsive gambling.

"It became a life of contiquous, terrible rows hetween him and my mother, with ber screaming 'What are you doing to us?' She was the one who was suffering most, as ia so often the case.

"He would swear oo the Bible, on the life of the children, never to gamble again, and she would bail him out. But it is a mistake to belp the compulsive gambler with money. There will always be aoother crisis, and it will be worse."

In 1964, with the doctor oo tbe brink of bankruptcy and of being struck off the medical register, a newspaper article appeared about the formation Gamblers Anonymous in Eng-

Peter was out of the country at the time. On his return be was met by his pareots at the airport, and found that bis father had not placed a bet for three weeks. "I could already see a change in him. There was a degree of self-respect in his eyes, instead of self-hatred."

The transformation had a perverse effect on Peter, who dates his own compulsion to gamble from about that time, although he believes he sbowed earlier symptoms of compulsive he-

> 'Relieved only when I lost everything'

He recalls the tremendous. all-absorbing excitement he ob-tained from gambling, the de-graded, dream-like state of isolation into which it put bim, the thrill of winning and the impossibility of holding on to bis winnings. "Io such a state you forget that you can lose, and go on uotil you dn", he said. "The ooly time I felt emotionally relieved was when I bad lost everything."

Gamblera Aconymous works by holding a mirror up to the victim of the illness. At a GA meeting, he will hear the "confessions of others, and if he is ready to do so will recognize much of himself in their stories. He will learn that he is not just unlucky, as so many gamblers tell themselves, but that he bas a personality disorder. Meetings are known as weekshows a real desire to recover, be will be offered a "pressure group" meeting at which other mambers sort out the mountain of debts and work nut a budget through which creditors can be repaid. If he is married, his wife

will be invited too.

The organization, which now has nearly a thousand active members at between 45 and 50 groups throughout the United Kingdom, is self-financing, and does mucb work of this kind for no financial reward. "The casino used to be the

only place I felt emotionally comfortable". Peter said. "Now the only place I feel comfortable is the GA room. We substitute for our compulsion to gamble a compulsion to help

other compulsive gamblers.
"Although GA is recognized loday as the most successful place for the compulsive gambler who wants to stop, it is frightening to think there must be hundreds of thousanda of compulaive gamblers in this country. Thousands come through our doors once or rwice and never return, and some return years later in worse

trouble.

"The great majority of those who are ready for help have got to the point where they are mentally exhausted. They mentally exhausted. They usually come to us when they bave lost everything, including their sense of spiritual values. And that is the one thing they can get hack. Over the years you see an amazing transforma-

non.

GA'a moralistic concero does not extend to gambling as a whole, although its founder-patron, the Rev Gordon Moody, secretary of the Churches' Council on Gambling, says that the proliferation of gambling outlets in Britain has been accompanied by an increase in the number of compulsive

Some who do not like the revivalistic atmosphere of the meetiogs have henefited from psychiatric help, according to Dr Ronald Casson, bonorary psychiatrist to Gamblers Anonymous.

> Using drive to pay off debts

"I think they usually res-pond to treatment if you are able to understand why they are gamhling, and help them to understand", be said. "At heart they are wishful thinkers, trying to be more successful but io an unrealistic, immature

vay." Peter Y thinks the comoulsive gambler often has a strong drive that can be of great value if used constructively. Ha says that he is himself now earning an "amazing income" as a professional salesman; so much that he can get many af the things be dreamed of at the casinos, while paying off his enormous debts at £150 a

His father bas just been awarded the GA diamond pin for ten betless years—the first man to receive the bonour outside America—and is a first-class doctor. Peter says.

"I grew up hating my father, a mixture of pity and bate. Now I have a relationship with him; I love bim; ba is my dearest friend, and I respect him more than any other man

The Gamblers Anonymous relephone number in London is 01-352 3060.

Neville Hodgkinson

■ The lower age limit for car drivers is 17 and not 18 as stated in Wednesday's feature, "The Dangers and Delights of Life on Two Wheels".

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#### Watership Down and the irresistible rise of **Richard Adams**

There are few things more difficult in the literary world than to follow a best-seller. Next Thursday sees the publication of Shardik (Allen Lane, £3.25), a 250,000-word saga of an incarnate god in the form of a gigaotic bear in an unidentified country long ago and far away. It is the aecood book to the remarkably short literary career of Richard Adams, a former civil sarvant in his again. former civil servant in his early fifties. He recently gave up Whiteball after 25 years with a goodhye flourish of a luncheon party in Sobo for bis senior colleagues and what he calls a "rank-and-file" do in a Victoria pub.

If his colleagues were surprised at his early retirement Adams himself still wears an expression of amazement at his success. It is seven years since he started writing in the bours after supper. His rabbit odyssey, Watership Down, was his first writing effort apart from reports on playing fields, coastlines, pol-lution or the threat of the Thames flooding.

lution or the threat of the Thames flooding. The story Adams began to tell his daughters on the way to school in the car has become one of the freaks of twentieth-century publishing. It sold half a million in America, and 300,000 in paperback in thia country.

It has won the Carnegie Medal and The Guardian award for children's writers. Macmillan of New York is said to bave paid \$800,000 for the back and the pagest type for naverback.

for the book, the largest sum for paperback rights.
Four publishers turned it down, as did three

Four publishers turned it down, as did three agents, and there will be many a red face at the knowledge that Adams has kept the fat file of letters. Io 1972 his final publisher, Rex Collings, published a first hard-hack edition of ooly 2,000, collectors' pieces now, and Adams has 10 locked up in his bank.

Richard Adams is a country doctor's son brought up near Newhury. He weet at eight to prove the property playing

to prep school, where he remembers playing cricket against the real Christopher Robin, and after an unbappy start at Bradfield ended up as bead boy. He says he goes back again and again to his childbood, remembering with longing that kind of ecstanc vision and the beauty

seen through a child's eye.

He is not a heliever in messages in fiction. He says of the new book: "I hope I've written a Rider Haggard story, full of blood, ghosts, darkness, mysterious religion oo a mysterious island. Objective stories have been a barmful syndrome in western literature. They are dominated by the problems of their beroes or heroines, who are constantly questioning their values. But there's a very respectable kind of values. But there's a very respectable kind of story io which the bero's problems are outside himself. Homer is out interested in who's aleeping with wbom or wby; be has on problems of cooscience. As an orthodox Christian, I feel there isn't really a lot of agonizing to be done. I couldn't write a story about right and wrong."

There is no hint of prepublication nerves

about him. He admits to being absolutely confident about Shardik. "I've good grounds", he says. "All the people who've read it like it very much, and they're hard-headed, sceptical people. Allen Lane has a first print of 30,000, the New Fiction Society here has made it one of its first books, and the American Literary Guild bas chosen it as its first selection for

Guild bas chosen it as its first selection for May." Shardik, too, was written in the evenings, a bahit which persists in spite of his new-found freedom.

He has not found it hard to adapt to his new way of life. "What you need is self-discipline", he says. "But no human being who's been through the tough upbringing of prep school and public school is without ther. I'm shocked hy the products of the new permissiva education, they're a scruffy lot. I demand obedience from my children, I've been written about as a domestic tyrant, but we written about as a domestic tyrant, but we

Adams will not talk about the money, or his future plans. He has lived in the same bouse in Canonbury for 22 years. His wife, Elizabeth, is an English ceramics expert, and the couple bave two teenage daughters. He has not been out of England, except to go to America recently, for 20 years.

America recently, for 20 years.

One of his greatest pleasures, he says, is meeting people. "One of the advantages of my success", he saya, "is being able to meet famous people on sufficiently equal terms." He carries in his wallet a photograph of Groucho Marx, whom he invited to linch in Los Angeles.

Los Angeles.

What he would like to have said about him is that he ranks alongside Lewis Carroll, Kenneth Grahame, A. A. Milne and Tolkien as a writer of books for children and adults.

At the moment he is 30-odd pages into a new book, this time a black comedy. "I thought I'd try my hand at a kind of Catch 22", he explains, "something sardonic and satirical." It is the story of two talking dogs who escapn from a laboratory in the Lake District, carrying bubonic plague. "It's a most fearful place", be says. "a kind of animal concentration camp. says, "a kind of animal concentration camp, where they have all kinds of unpleasant experiences. They run wild, kill sheep, and all kinds of people are involved in catching them—the police, the ministry, and it builds up into a national scandal." The press, towards which he has a fair amount of animosity, may well come in for some heavy treatment. The book includes a journalist called Nuggins, "the man you can't

The book has a happy ending. The dogs swim out to see and are picked up by one of Adams's real live heroes, Peter Scott. "I'm not a sentimentaliat", he says, "but we've been very irresponsible toward animals. We waste them."

Jenny Rees

#### An ancient Briton adds to the history of leprosy



The Poundbury Camp skeleton by courtesy of Journal of Archaeological Science, 1, and Leprosy Review, 4S.

in Dorset 16 centuries ago have cast significant new light on our knowledge of the Roman Empire and the early history of Britain. Because of modern disturbance, all that remains of whoever be waa is the bones below the knees. It is impossible to esti-mate the sex or age of the former tenant of the bones, only that he or she was a mature adult. But their pathology shows beyond a scruple of a doubt that whoever it was bad a had case of leprosy. This puts back the first authenticated record of leprosy in northern Europe by several centuries.

The medical historians estimate that the mutatinn of leprosy evolved somewhere in the eastern Mediterraneao in the second century BC. 11 was diffi-dently assumed by those in the assumpoon-making husiness that the Romans brought leprosy with all their other Mediterranean exports to Britain. By terranean exports to Britain. By the bistorical Saxon period leprosy, which flourishes in a cold climate, had become a terrible scourge in northern Europe. It is possible that a record of a leprous skeleton from the Dark Ages will soon be published. But until the Roman leper just found in Dorset the earliest case of leprosy in earlies1 case of leprosy in Britain recorded, proved and published was early medieval.

The Dorsei bones are 700 years earlier than that. They were exhumed at Poundbury Camp, Dorchester, the largest Romano-British cematery ever excavated. Under the direction of Christopher Green, about 800 akeletons bave been dug up so far in this apparently Christian burial-ground. They will eventually supply a superb sample 10

The bones of a person who died to make calculations about the average height and other physical attributes of early Britons. to all but anatomists, but it is
The bodies are encased in lead unmistakable. The lateral and coffins, which have premore hair and muscle than archaeologists could have boped

The leprous bones were iden-

ified by Racbel Reader, a physical anthropologist (an expert with skeletons), who is a consultant for the Ancient Monuments Lahoratory of the Department of the Environment on the site. They showed the classic symptoms of leprosy defined by V. Moller-Christensen, the great Danish master of bone arcbaeology, who founded the science on his excavation of a medieval lepar colony. The shin-bones were rough and pitted with chronic inflammalory periostitis. The pbalanges of the hallux (big 10e) and other loes were croded to points in loes were eroded to points in what the Americans describe, with hideous but vivid metaphor, as "the sucked randy syndrame".

For a young physical anthropologist to make such a discrevery is the equivalent in her field of Schliemann digging up "Agamemnoo" or Archimedes displacing his hath-water by leaping out shouting "Eureka". What Rachel Reader in fact said as she unpacked the small said, as she unpacked the small parcel of bones in the laboratory was: "A pound to a trouser-hution, that's leprosy." Her instant diagnosis has been con-firmed by Dr W. H. Jopling, consultant leprologist to the Hospital for Tropical Diseases, London. We have a clear and ally supply a superb sample 10 authenticated case of leprosy feed into a computer in order in Britain at about 350 AD.

posterior aspects of the tibiae, and the medial and posterior aspects of the fibulae, show for: some kind of emhalming extensive pitting and furrowing process with gypsum, also imported from the Mediterranean, bas been used.

Special of the way be a special or in things, snow extensive pitting and furrowing with small, irregular osseous deposits. The right foot is far more severely deformed than the left; the third, fourth and fifth metatarsals show marked resorpting of the capitula, with extrema lapering of the abafts. In grosser language, the toebones are tapering away to points and slivers. Some of the root-bones have completely vanished, but the chances and changes of 16 centuries underground in a cemetery make it imprudent to place much weight on their absence. Even on the left foot, ocular and radio-graphic inspection shows dis-tortion and erosion that can only bave heen caused by

The evidence is detailed and

leprosy. At some time in the fourth century somabody suffering from severe leprosy was buried at Poundbury. He was not at Poundbury. He was not huried separately, away from the others, as lepers were in the Middle Ages. Digging now continues to see whether the Poundhury Camp leper was an isolated case, perhaps a legionary with leprosy drafted in from North Africa or the Middle East and dying before he could oass on the disease, which is believed to have been more virulent than the modern strains. Or more leprous skeletons may or more leprous skeletons may be found, proving that the disease was becoming endemic as early as the fourth century. Either way, Rachel Readar and her bones have rewritten an important footnote of history.

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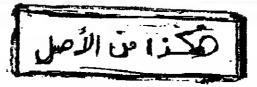
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Natalia Makarova's reason for

Natalia Makarova's reason too leaving the Kirov Ballet was to widen har scope. Wedoesday's performance of Song of the Eurth justified her action, re-

vealing a whole new side of her salent and showing her at a

peak of tragic expressiveness. Not since Marcia Haydee, the

inspiration and first interpreter

of MacMillan's choreography,

has this role been an vividly

danced. It is an enormnusly

demanding part. The last move

meot alone, during which she is

scarcely ever nff the stage, is

the second movement too.

thao many one-act

Covent Garden

John Percival

### urification by fire: Bill Douglas's scenes from childhood

Children/My Folk (aa) ademy Cinema Three

ial and Political ins of the '30s and '40s legiate Theatre

vdy Tales (x) idon Pavilion

Douglas's My Childhood My Ain Folk (the first two of a trilogy of which the is now in production) is ue in the cinema as a direct oiographical reminiscence, o iofancy recalled without ment or affection, unly ish and regret. Mayhe were oot exactly like this ality; hut even if the grim-were oot so mercilessly unved, this is undoubtedly the a bastard childhood in an ving Scottish mining village d to the child himself.

Childhond is set in 1945. e is eight years old and liv-with his maternal grand-ier and Tommy—who may is bruther or his cnusin, or His mother (or perbaps mother) ia in a meotal ital; and the two boys seek tentify their fathers aming grimy cloth-capped meo the mines. Jamie's only id is a German prisoner of working in the fields; and n he goes, and the grandn he goes, and the grand-her dies, and Tommy ia sent to a home, be is all alone. by Ain Folk takes up the y a while later, Jamie is hig-and a chuple of years more sed and battered ioto him-Now he is living with anr grandmother, not an evil nan, hut ignnrant, without a e of feeling or understand-In the next-door cuttage woman and their child. other son comes and goes is caught in hed with the ry wnman. Granny's husband unwillingly received hack n bosnital, and until he diea

and Jamie enjny the com-ity of fellow victims of the lady's stern hnusekeeping uncertain temper. Finally nie too will he carted off th low Tommy to a home. t bas become legendary that I Douglas, whn is ordinarily most gentle and kindly and arming of humans, takes on nething of the demonic when comes to shoot these filmsanguish, explain his collaborars (hardly one of whom ayed from the first film to the and) which seems in come on a combination of the pain

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of remembering and the frenzy of creation.

The fact is not, I think, in any way irrelevant to the final effect of the films. More than with any other work I can recall in the cinema you have the sense of a purification by fire. The images are bright and clear and composed. The structure is in brief, impressionistic scenes, cool and classical in the manner of telling; the dialogue is sparse and cutting. Everything is simple and essential. Of My Childhand Douglas wrote: "It is a dekiberate attempt to con-tract the length of the feature film as it is accepted in the commercial cinema. I have pared down to reach for the

essentials. The autobiographical factor is the main component. The childhood of the title is literally my childhood and the incidents that I recount are,

Rolf Liehermann has promised

a fresb look at the French re-

pertoire for the Paris Opéra.

And in the first of three native

works announced for this sea-

son, Les Contes d'Hoffmann-

Faust and Ariane et Barbe-

Bleue follow next year-his

ward has certainly been kept.

Patrice Chereau, tha young

director imported from the

TNP, has taken nut his spade.

dug a neat grave for all the romantic ideas surrounding

Hoffmann, and quietly interred

For him Hoffmann is a drunk a wasb-oot, a Inser, Nicolai Gedda staggers into Luther's

cellar, which looks rather like

a turn of the century brasserie in Les Halles. He is dishevelled,

his tie is hanging down some-where in the middle of his

chest, his baggy trousers clearly do service for the sleeping as well as the waking hours. He tells his stories in order to get another hottle or two, so the

students fill him up with punch

Gedda has become nne nf nur chaemeleon tenors. He is quite

capable of shedding 20 years to play Alfrado or Nemorino, but in Paris the face has become

raddled and tha eyas have sunk. All Hnffmann bas left is a little

talent to amuse. Chereau carries his plan right

through the opera. Hoffmann loses his three loves, because that is the way life treats him.

with Stella at the end of the

opera in this version. And in that line lies the key Paurice Chereau'a nriginal, intelligent and thoroughly well-argued interpretation of Offenbach.

The surprises are not confined

to replacing a romantic hero with a boozy poet. At the end of the Prologue the chorus calls

for silence; Hoffmann stands up

for the first of his three stories and sings "La nom de la prem-ière était Giulietta". Apparently

there was e certain amount of-

tut-tutting on the first night

that Olympia was to he sent in

down the order rather than open the innings. And there was even more disaffection

when Venice turned out to look

like a confrontation between

Rotherhithe Docks and Belgrave

But Chereau promised noth-

at one or two other French thea-

intent nn stripping away asso-

white portico, a suitable home

the left are sombre grey ware-

and he hegins.

them.

with a few variations, things that actually happened to me. This is not a dreamlike film composed of languid memories. It is a hard film made up nf elementary contrasts: a few big events that have great impor-tance and the silence and the sounds that surround them." The effect is volcanic. You are

always uneasily conscious of a seething, eruptive emotion just below the cool surface. The grown man observes the child from a distance in time; but the wounds remain unhealable. In both films Jamie is played by Stephen Archihald (presumably the film was planned as a trilogy to permit him to age suitably over a period of four or five years). He is always more alone, more fearful, more sus-picious, subdued heyond bearing. Like a frightened animal children's home. The only he wets his pants, wets himself moment of doubtful tenderness as he sits apathetic and vacant is when his granny, in drink,

Hoffman without the romance

in school, wets the bed of tha greyhound that alone can sedoce kindness from Granny. He even pees in the milk in a moment of terror-inspired guile. He's not in any case allowed to use granny's well-kept lav; and must dn it in the lane and scratch the earth to cover it like a dog. The emphasis on micrurition

and defecation is not incidental. Jamie's whole life has the dreadful rags-and-urine whiff of long-ago slum schools. The moments of drama in between are small relief granny bashing the fancy woman next door, or serencly looking on while her snn bashes Jamie, or setting a mouse-trap to catch an apple-thief. Jamie only laughs once, at the irresistible joke of watch-ing Tommy rob his father, on a rare uncomfortable visit to the

slops a maudin kiss upon him. Even this is something: "Make ma Granny drunk every night", he prays, in one of his few ver-hal unterances.

The film might have heen depressing in its despair; hut because the experience bas bee... so completely tempered and translated by the creative pru-cess, you feel only the sens. of enrichment and privilege that very rare works of art in the cinema can offer.

I have been surprised, inc. dentally, at people whn react to the film with a certain indig nation, complaining because they cannot identify who is who. The fact is that neither can Jamie: you are asked to share his hewilderment and worry: and at the end if you are patient, you begin like him to have a pretty good idea of who all these penple are, and how

John Higgins

#### David Robinson

the poor little devil ever came to he given hirth.

On Sunday night at the Colle giate Theatre, Tom Brandon, the veteran American film distrib-utor, will introduce a special programme of the kind of polit ical and social films whose dis-tribution he pinneered in the

Grey and misty, fragmentary, disintegrating in the very pro-jector, the newsreels of the Film and Photo Leagua witness a profound social revolution. In the fatal workers' demonstration against Henry Ford in 1932, and the oacooal hunger march on Washington in December of that year, you can see the first beginnings of the civil rights movements of the sixtles and sevennes.

Some of the films are naive. hut always touching in their dedication. Millions Of Us, with pseudonymoua credits that conceal the identity of some naw very distinguished Hollywood names, is a simple socialist mnrality about a starving unem-ployed worker who is dissuaded from strike-scabbing to join the unity of labour. Pie in the Sky is a ridiculous improvisation nn the theme of the old Joe Hill parody of "Tbe Sweet By and Bye". What makes it extraordinary, apart from its artless verve, is the talent that created it—Irving Lerner, Ralpb Steiner and Kyla Crichton (doing the titles). The main acting role is played by a very young Ella Kazan, a jully cluwn, whose socialist commitment has no foresight or fear of the terrors and betrayals of the Black List wbicb were tn nvertake generation.

Bawdy Tales looks as if it might be a few mioutes lesa bawdy than when it began life in Italy as Smrie Scellerate.
Directed by a protégé nf Pier
Paoln Pasolini, Sergio Citti,
scripted by Pasolini, and starriog Pasolini's two favourite
acturs, Franco Citti and Ninettn
Davoli it is a direct mibute m Davoli, it is a direct tribute in the older director's series of anthology films, but a good way behind even the worst of them in terms of conception, looks and mise-en-scène.

Citti and Davoli are two itinerant rascals who exchange bawdy tales while defecating leisurely, and later, nnt less leisurely, awaiting execution for murder. The tales all concern erring wives and lihidinous priests, and end in murder or castration or muth. It is heavy going, even if you like that kind of funning to hegin with.

#### Cosi fan tutte.

Congress, Eastbourne

#### **Stanley Sadie**

"What", Jonathan Miller asks in the programme notes for this new Kent Opera production, "happens in Cosi fan tutte?" He proceeds to isolate the essence of tha work: through masquerade, the characters are made to realize the mysterles of their nwn persocalities. This is true enough and has heen said before—hut I have not before seen such a production so purposefully or so austerely dedicated to its demnnstration. To most of us, although this realization stands as the serious centre of the work, there is more to Così hesides. The music portrays amornus emotion at many different levels; it speaks of youthful high spirits; it bints liherally at locale and atmosphere. A producer needs to respond to the music itself as well as to the ideas. One does Mnzart a better service to realize the implications of the music as fully as possible, and to see the work in its context as an opero buffo of its time, with the social conventions relevant to it. The moral message may safely he let speak for itself.

Dr Miller's production is given in a single sparse, symmetrical setting (by Beroard Culsbaw): a wall at the back with a pair of donrways, a central chaise-inngue, a pair nf henches. The characters are all nenches. The characters are an very aimply dressed, with the officers, in civilian cinthes at the start, in uniforms and moustaches for their disguise (thay are never referred in as Albaniaos). The concentration nn the bones of the plnt hrought out a good deal of interplay hetween characters — though stage husiness is minimal—hut practically nothing of individual characterization; io fact the singers were (no dnuht intentage in the projecting of their music by baving to sing much of it sitting down or even (Ferando's first aria) slumped on the floor.

It was perhaps unsurprising, then, that the actual singing made no atroog impressioo. Most of the voices were quite light. Eliaaheth Ander was a firm, even-toned Fiordiligi; "Per rietà" was most expressively dnne. There were touches of graceful phrasing from Margarat Cahle, a somewhat slight Dorabella. Soo Bee Lee sang Despina a shade cnarsely.

The Ferrandn was Neil Jenkins, sometimes nasal in tone hut singing cleaoly and quite eloquently in "Tradito, scher-nim". Thomas Lawln's Guglielmn had ample resnnance. It was surely a mistake to have him sing "Dunne mie" as a furinus tirade against womankind rather than a gondhumnured reprimand; after all, he had not been hetrayed yer. Patrick McGuigan was a capable Alfonso. In tune with the seriousness

of the production, Rager Nar-ringtoo conducted with uni-farmly slaw tempos. There was a great deal of beautifully shaped, carefully textured, precisely accented playing—not the whole truth about the scare, yet a jny in listen to, a reading for the connoisseur. The Kent Opera Orchestra is small and John Higgins oeeds more string tone; but it plays very responsively.

#### Makarova Curinusly, her features re main almost unmoving throughout, but the angle at which she holds nr turns ber head always relates har tn whatever is going on around her, and sn do the movements of her brightly glittering eyes, always alert for the slightest nuance of the action. This is tragic acting nn a scale of intensity one sees

A whole new side to

rarely on any stage. David Wall hrings out-warmly the humanity of the central male role, and Anthony Dowell the inhumanity of the Messenger of Death. The hallet is not at the aame level of imagina the level at the aame level in magna-tion when the leading woman is off stage, and invention sags in the three auccessive scherzos, but Lesley Chilier's bright assurance makes something of the third soog.

ballets, and she is the focus of The orchestra strained hadly The orchestra strained hady at some passages, without excuse, since Asbley Lawrence's tempi were good and it was the sixth time in a month they bad played the work. Not until half-way through the last contraitn song did Bernadette Greevy strike real form, and John Mitchiuson made sadly little of the tenor role. Even judged just on grounds of technique, it would have heen an nutstanding performance. The sbarpness and thrust of her turns, the smnnthness of her bourraes, the quick exact-ness of little movements and the tenor role.

riess of little movements and firm hulding of every ausmined pose also cootributed to the detail of expression. She has grasped the way the course ography itself attempts to embody the meaning of Mahler's sung symphony. Straviosky's Scenes de Ballet, ton, although better played than on npeniog night, left something of suavity and glitter to be de-sired. Antoinette Sibley brings Besides that, she brings two nthar untable gifts to the part. One is the unusual flexibility thuse qualities, buwever, to the ballerina role, and Michael Coleman danced strongly. The and strength of ber arm move supporting ensemble was far more together than the last time I saw the work, but the attack and the chic of earlier casts seems to have been lost altogether. mants, thrusting nut from her aboulders like wings, twisting it grief, stretching nut in tenderness. The other is the way she uses her head, in the literal sense, I mean.

#### Fourth Day Like Four Long Months of Absence

Theatre Upstairs

#### Irving Wardle

Anyooe who has tried to write a play will remember the fun of the first few pages with all the characters chatting merrily away, free to do whatever they like. Then the doubts begin. Are these penple ton private; nr tno public? Are they going aoy-where? And if so, do they waot At which point speech freezes no their lips and the scene goes into the trash can.

Not so, it seems, in the case of Colin Bennett, whose unrepeatedly nitled piece suggests a string of salvaged first scenes, glued together in random sequeoce. Lurking among them there is the shadow of a theme: something to do with an omnipresent death culture (which buils down to television and the theatre) and the ways in which people support or resist lt. This theme has been haunting our stage for years. But what Mr Bennett has written is the old one ahout the playwright vaioly trying to compose a play, and making a play out of his failure

to do so. As to detail, we start with the Line, with a media archaeologist in a miner's helmet chort-ling over his scoop. This turns to a squawk of terror when a door swings opeo revealing the guardian of the shrine—a crimson-robed She-figure from whose vaporous tirade one gathers to be a martial Aphrodite waiting for the tanks to roll and establish the rule of love. She pops up again from time to time io the imagination of Chelsea, the jobless playwright who is the next character to appear.

Wa first see him in confereoce with a TV producer who is treating Chelsea's script to the same kind of niggling nhjections that I have applied in Mr BenThe Speokers.

nett. In these the author replies with proper contempt by re-counting a Victorian plot to smother the countryside in winkles (or perhaps it was shrimps). Back home, Chelses sinks into a creative trance, handing the dialogue over to his two militant actress friends who are planning to "stop these young middle-class professionals from coming into the district? by organizing abuse and raugh squads to humiliate them from among the garden gnomes. Other suggestions are offered by a visiting night-cleaner whn uses his job as a cover for office sabotage.

Next on the scene is a frus-trated Halifax hoiler-maker and his jeering wife who accuse each other of mesturhation; followed by a pair of luyur flat donrmen in gold-braided top hats whn conduct a civilian equivalent of the Sergeant and Private dialogue. As played by Malculm Ingram and William Hoyland, this is a splendid comic demonstration of how traditional status parterns underlie the surface of democratic speech. But again, after their duologue the couple vanish to be seen no mure.

Putting all the scenes gether you come up with the message of Aphrodite; indeed, from what some of the girls say in praise of long-range contact hy copulation, it seems there was nothing for Marconi to invent. But one cannot fairly discovery of a cavern some hold the play to that, or any where underneath the Fleet other opinion; as it coosists of hits and pieces—scraos of Shaftesbury Avenue bitchery, acid talk—all of which peter out the moment before the wright has to take responsibility for his characters and for what

they do.

Max Stafford-Clark directs
them against a fossilized plastic
hack wall (by Diana Greenwood) combining the imprint of ancient vegetation with inbuilt electrooic equipment. Carole Haymao and Caroline Hutchinson spar with vicinus authenticity as Chelsea's sharp-clawed companions: Chelsea himself is

#### Festival Hall/Radio 3

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#### William Mann

Piarre Boulez's concerts are not always tough going: On Wedoes-day for the special audieoce of the Royal Philharmonic Society, noted for its rather conserva-tive taste, he tempered the wiod (in the form of Schoenberg's violio coocerto) hy including Mozarr's A major symphony K201 and the original version of Straviosky's Firebird performed complete (assuming that my eyes deceived me into spor-ting a short cut before the Infernal Dance).

The Schoenherg fiddle concerto used to he considered as difficult to listen to as to play. The composer hoped that it would sound as accessible as Tchaikovsky a. When you have to the rapid decorative phrases, and intense warmth of feeling to the cantabile themes, nf

Surprisingly, the orchestral part of this performance was less revelatory that might be expected from Boulez and his

which there are many more to eojny than audiences farmerly

nwn orchestra: the thematic entries were boldly character-ized, often a shade early off the mark so that the pulse of the music tended to swerve; some points of halance needed further adjustment (eg, woodwind in the reprise of the slow movement), and the code of the first movement buog fire. The finale found all conceroed at their most persuasive.

There was some untidy playing, and some dull interpreta-tion, in the Mozart symplemy. Not so in Firebird. It was a trest to hear and see three harps and the two extra brass baoda, and to bear the wealth nf glorious music that separates the celebrated numbers of the Zvi Zeitlin as the soloist, concert suites. The various prin-Schoenberg's wisb almost comes cipals of the orchestra revelled true, for Mr Zeitlin briogs in their solos, especially Alao sparkle and feathery lighmess Civil; and Boulez conducted the in their solos, especially Alao Civil; and Boulez conducted the score with a strong sense of theatre as well as romantic appreciation.

#### Sponsored opera

Donations from Imperial Tohacco Limited and the Namnal Westminster Bank hava made possible a new production of Verdi's Un ballo in Maschera at Covent Garden in January. It will he conducted by Claudin Ahhado, with Kana Ricciarelli as Amelia and Placido Domingo as Gustavus III. The first night will be on January 30.

The right bank The concart by Earl Hines, which Miles Kington menfinned on this page on Tuesday, will take place at the Central Hall, Westminster, no Novem

Alexander Goehr's new work Bernard Haitink and the London

Philharmonic Orchestra will give the first performance of Alexander Goehr's Metamorphnsis/Dance, a 25-minute work commissioned by the ntchestra, at the Festival Hall nn Sunday, November 17. The composer has dedicated the work tn Marie Wilson and the London Philharmonic Orchestra. Miss Wilson, wbo will celebrate her 71st birthday on November 30, is a memher of the orchestra and one of the hest-known violinists her 27, not on the South Bank. in the profession.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.



End of a storyteller: Nicolai Gedda and Michel Philippe

productinn.

ing in the programme synopsis: Musically the Giuierta act is 'Une ville. Au fond, une eau the weakest of the three and practicable aux bateaux". The succeeding acts ware simply labelled "Une ville, la mêma". wanted to get it out of tha way In common with the fashion tres at the moment Chereau is had left the cast to be replaced by Suzanne Sarroca. Mme Sar-occa looks well on stage, but her ciations, refusing to he tied down by time or place. Richard Peduzzi has produced voice lacks the warmin and richa ravishing single set for the three acts. On the right is a substantial house with a brilliant

for Spalenzani or Crespel; on allowed to rest heavily on Gedhouses from whose windows the da's shoulders.

dolls or simply picking up a sung precisely and fluently off-waterfront tart for the night stage by Eliane Manchet, despite and, incnngrounusly, a mass of Hoffmann aspires in the big a slight amount of distortion chestnut hair falling over his house, but he never makes it. by what I take in he an ampli-The singers are at intervals sil-fier. On stage a very elegant to play a melodramatic mesbouetted against the creamy mechanical doll, whose dress hackcloth — nne nf Strehler's could have come from a Rue favourite tricks — emphasizing de Rivoli window, went through the cool, objective mood of the her motions impeccably and production. cracked into pieces at the end before the eyes of Hoffmann and everyone else.

perhaps that is why Chereau Christiane Eda-Pierre is as fine an Antonia as I have aeen nr first. By the third performance heard. "Elle a fui, la tour-earlier this week Regine Crespin terelle" had a lightness and delicacy all too many sopranos miss. She and Gedda make a remarkable combination, and I hope the Paris Opéra will

Peduzzi was not offering her a "Patrice Chereau has survey belle nuit" in support hur in adroitly the problem of Hnffmann and bis ladies, but he has with a solution for Coppelius! Dapertutto/ Miracle. He keeps the sama baritme, workers peer out at the quality, But from there on matters Thm Krause, for all three parts showing off their mechanical improved mightily. Olympia was dressed in the sama cluthes:

senger of death—he even has a plumed black horse to help him—who chuld have come straight from a Cocteau film. The conception fits uneasily with the cool of the rest of the production, and Tom Krause, understandahly, lnnked ill at ease and had quite a lnt of trnuhle with his French.

George Prêtre cooducted with a good deal of panache, too much at times. With Gedda, Eda-Pierre and tha Opéra's splendid chorus all in top voice little hrilliance or sparkle, hut they should have been allowed more chance tn relax in this Hoffmann, which is less Earhier's npéro fantastique than Chereau's portrait of the poet as a drunken loser. A fascinating

evening.

The east contains the M1 heef worked out and alternative trive employment is needed. Sures of the Erewash and Rother valleys. It is an area bamshire have undertaken a of slagheaps and splendid joint study of the problem, historic buildings in varying which has recommended the state of preservation. Travel-ling northwest from Derby between Alfreton and Mans-your come to Ashbourne, field, on either side of exit which lies at the foot of the 28 on the MI. Peak District. From then on

In the direction of Mat-either lock the road descends into

towering valley walls and are luconized the spinning much used by climbers. To industry.

The west, Hope Valley and Edale are the prelude to the railways. The county's conclimax of the Derbyshire landscape, the heights of county work from St Pancras; the financial implications the great castiron arches of miles of Sheffield.

The administrative head-county walls and are luconized the spinning much used by climbers. To industry.

Country, including superh ducements, the labour situation, and, as Mr George Raphael, Rubens and Van Dyck, and a magnificent library. It is hardly surprising the railways. The country's conclimax of the Derbyshire and very secretary of the National Farmers' Union, put it, "to avoid being tied to the cow's tail 14 times a nounced as you leave for the Kinder Scout and Bleaklow. This is a virtual wilderness, the labour situation, and, as Mr George Raphael, Rubens and Van Dyck, and a magnificent library. It is hardly surprising to the cow's tail 14 times a nounced as you leave for the Kinder Scout and Bleaklow. This is a virtual wilderness, the labour situation, and, as Mr George Raphael, Rubens and Van Dyck, and a magnificent library. It is hardly surprising to the cow's tail 14 times a week."

Like their colleagues in other cow's tail 14 times a to take them to work in improved the importance of giving verted into a training school the cow's tail 14 times a to take them to the cow's tail 14 times a to take them to take them to the cow's tail 14 times a to take them to the cow's tail 14 times a to take them to the rountry dustrial expansion to the growth zone in the north-the labour situation, and, as Mr George Alustral expansion to the growth zone in the north-the labour situation, and as Mr George Raphael, Rubens and Van Dyck, and a magnificent library. It is hardly surprising to the cow's tail 14 times a to take them to the rountry dustrial expansion to the growth zone in the flowest and to channel in dustrial expansion to the growth zone in the flowest and to channel in the flowest and which form the parapet to towering valley walls and are

The administrative headquarters of Derbyshire are at Matlock. The county council moved there from Derby in 1958 to be in the geographcal centre of its territory. Mr Harry Crossley, formerly clerk and now chief execu-tive of the council, said a

comes steadily grander.

In the direction of Buxton the road climbs on to a shire, which cootains the plateau ribbed by dry, limestone walls which bave an extraordinary luminosity in field. Before, they were dull weather. To the west sandwiched between two intermediate areas and losing potential investors to airbay side.

ither side. Although Derbysbire cona magnificent valley towards tains some of the wildest Wirksworth and then passes country in England it is through a gorge in which known primarily as an indus-Matlock Bath nestles like a trial county. This reputation continental watering place.

England is remarkable for the variety of scenery it offers within a small space, and it would be hard to find a better illustration of this quality than Derbyshire.

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The works at Litchurch Lane, across the road from the Earl of Rusland. Their desheen building air-conditioned Inter-City carriages since heen building air-conditioned Inter-City carriages since 1970.

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Bess of Hardwick married Sir William Cavendish in 1547 and huilt Hardwick Hall, on the eastern edge of the county, when she was in her 70s. Her youngest son, William, rebuilt Bolsover Castle, a few miles to the north, and her great-great grandson, who was created first Duke of Devonshire in 1694, erected the main block at Chats-

Manchester, Bristol, Carlisle a collection like Chatsworth's gallon of milk has provided a and Edinburgh, as well as to would produce "practically lifeline to dairy farmers, London.

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the present house, a classical
masterpiece by James Paine
and Robert Adam, was built
for the first Lord Scarsdale.
In the church near by is the
sumptuous tomb of Marquess
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Like their colleagues in other parts of Britain the Derbyshire beef farmers, have been suffering from the removal of the intervention price in March. The decision to pay an extra 7.7p on a gallon of milk has provided a lifeline to dairy farmers, according to Mr Johnson.

Prospects for the coming winter are disquieting. Because of extremely west weather much of the straw, and even some hay, has not been bailed. If the next months are severe it will be difficult for the farmer in north Derbyshire to provide sufficient fodder for his livestock.

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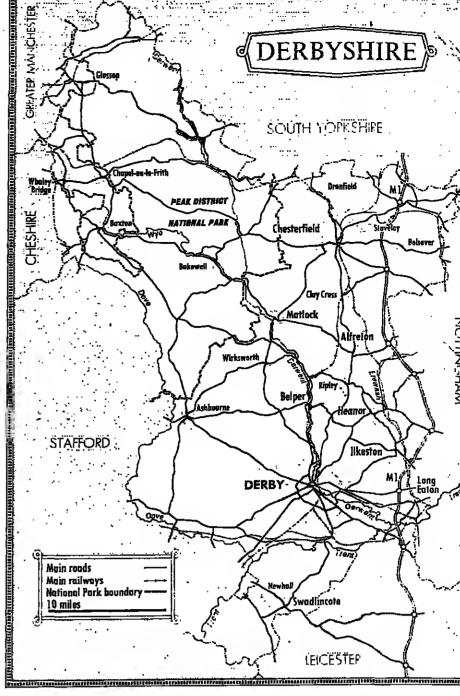
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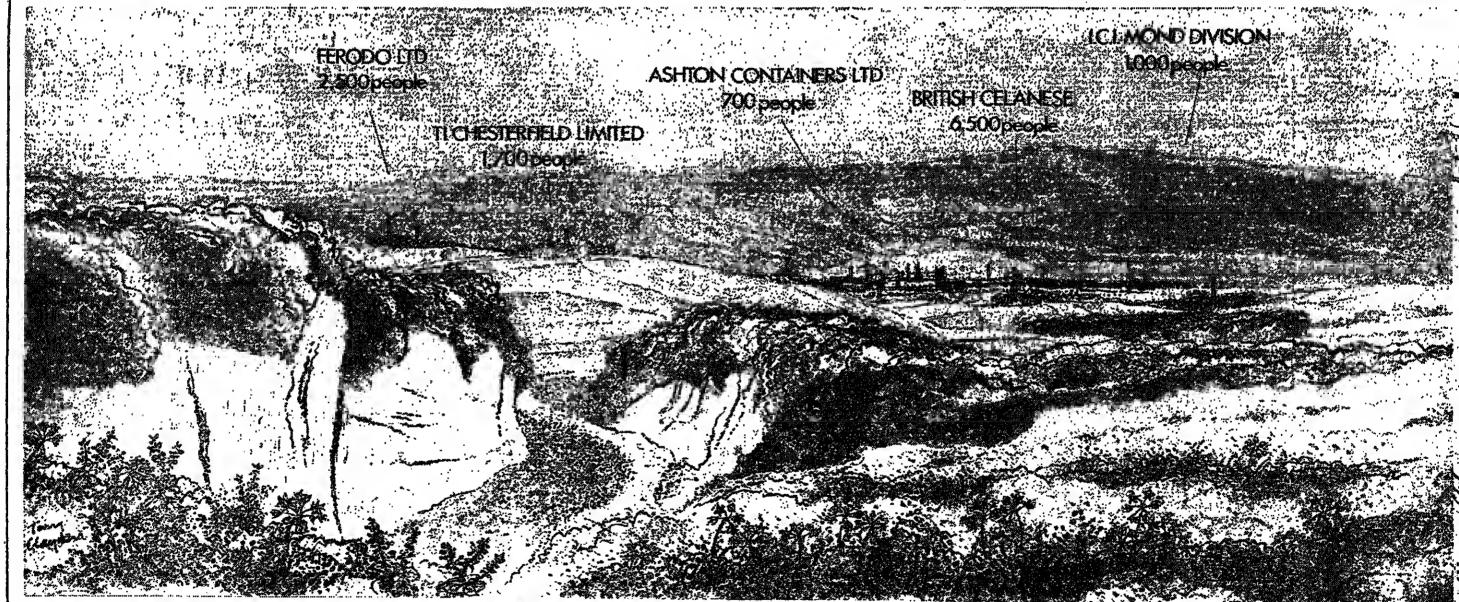
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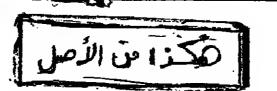
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thar a county club in the 1970s is a business, with all rhat the wird implies in terms of efficiency and financial soundoess.

It is inevitably a painful time in the club's history, with entrenched patterns of behaviour and outlook having to be changed. There is every likelibood of casual-ties in more than one sphere. The recent dismal playing record, too, with lem is the fact that Derby and playing record, too, with lem is the fact that Derby and possible and country club in the providing a venue for dimproviding avenue for dimproviding to tertural vite deal vite for dimproviding to tertur

cricket club, Derbyshire are in the throes of adjusting to the demands of current cricket economics. The struggle has nor been made any easier because Derbyshire, compared with most other counties, have heen slow to appreciate the need for change; to recognize that a county club in the 1970s is a business, with all refat the wird implies in the cricket are sons, bas bardly been conductive to enthusiasm.

Yet there is nothing in terfield Corporation for e the failure to fulfil potential quite son often is cricket, characterized as it delightful Queen's Park short lists of the world's bas always been by bonest ground to build a new application, perseverance and teamwork, to suggest that this particular passage within two years as the all feature highly on them. Sounty's financial saviour, not many county, state, proproviding a venue for dinary vincial or territorial teams ners, dances, meetiogs and round the world can view.

faced. the last. Cricket leadership Meanwhile, there is every at county level over the intention to continue to years has always had little So they have elways been intention to continue to years has always had little restricted in the facilities take first team matches to do with personal skills. they can offer members, or round the county. Enthu- and bas called for character indeed any spectaturs.

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The latest break-out from tha Maze Prison, resulting in the death of an escapee and the murder of three more soldiers impinges on the sacurity situation in all Northern Ireland. Ulster is slightly calmer than it was six months ago, when it was slightly calmer than it was six months before that. But the province resembles a saucepan which is not boiling over hecause someone is holding down tha lid. Incidents like that at the Maze turn the gas up a little higher, and the Army and police bave to hold oo to the lid that much more firmly. The capacity to

Wheo the Army first tried hlocking some of the un-approved border crossings leading from the Irish Republic into the North, they blew simple, uncomplicated craters in the road. Teams of local men, women and children then moved in under cover of darkness. armed with shovels, and filled them io again-" working like lines of coolles " as one officer drily observed. So the Army began to blow double creaters in the roads with barriers in between. So the "coolies" moved in, not only with shovels but with bulldozers too, to fill in tha craters and remove tha

cause an eruption is still all too

barricades. Now the Army blows triple holes in the roads and places static water tanks in between. Soldiers drive railway lines through the bottoms of the tanks to rivet them into the roads, and fill them with concrete. But the locals still come. They hring shovels, bulldozers, picks and oxyacetylene burners. They burn through the tanks, hack away at the concrete and shovel away the rubble with the buildozers. Where there is a will, there is a way. And while that will may be diminished among 98 per cent of the pro-vince's more recalcitrant popu-lation, it still lives on in the 2 per cent. All of which goes part of the way towards explaining the awful mood of fatalism which bangs like a raincloud

over Northern Ireland.

Not that the Provisional IRA,
which despite Protestaot and
Official IRA activity, constitutes the principal overt threat to peace in the province, needs worry overmuch about 49 closed roads. Even on the approved border crossings, on some of

which the Army now mounts a 24-hour vehicle check point (VCP), the lorryloads of stinking offal, en route from the South to animal food factories in the North, or the trucks packed with skins for tanning, provide sufficient blanker for the illicit transit of arms and explosives. Even when the Army has made provision to search these, too (as it is now preparing to do) there is little doubt that the guns will get

The Provisionals are short of the experienced, matura leaders who not so long ago operated with relative freedom in the with relative freedom in the urban centres in Ulster. In Belfast the skeletal para-military structure of a brigade beadquarters, with three city battalions, still exists. But it exists more as a logistics opera-

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Active Service Units (ASUs) scattered throughout the city, each unit a small tightly knit cell linked to the

central atructure by a tenuous chain of command—a measure which has been introduced hecause of weaknesses in the Pro-visionals' own security. Perhaps as a result of the security forces' concentration upon Belfast only about balf the terrorist incidents io Northern Ireland now occur in the city, com-pared with 80 per cent not so

long ago.
Tha general level of violence

Belfast hrigade commanders have heen arrested during the past 12 months, one of them only 20 minutes after bis promotion to the post. The actual operations are carried out largely through a structure of small Active Service Units by 30 per cent, and the overall number of deaths stands at more than 150, as opposed to 210. Finds by the security forces so far this year include 1,054 weapons, 128,000 rounds of ammunition and 21,300lb of explosives—apart from the 21,000 lh which have heed defused by

the Army.
Only on the border itself bas the violence shown signs of increasing in tempo. There it now constitutes about 25 per ceot of the incidents in Northern Ireland, as opposed to only 5 per cent last year. This is partly because of the number of Pro-

of Ulster, are being led by a number of meo who escaped in the hreakout from Portlaoish prison in August. Some of the attacks in the border areas during the past month or two bave boroe signs of their experience and professionalism. But while cooperation hetween the Ulster police and the unarmed Garda is steadily incroving, coopera-tion between the British and

Irish armies is only sporadic.
There is also acope for more cooperation from the South in the control of explosives. While

gone down in Ulster, the size of the bombs themselves has shown a marked increase this year. The number of explosions up until ten days ago stands at only 600 in 1974, compared with 978 for the same period last year, a fall of a third. But the amount of explosives used was hetween 43,000 and 44,000 lb—not far short of the 47,000 lh used in 1973. In fact about half the 600 so far this year were neutralized in time, but the explosion which killed two soldiers at Ballykinler last week took place without warning and being seen as a new kind of bombing campaign, directed principally at the security

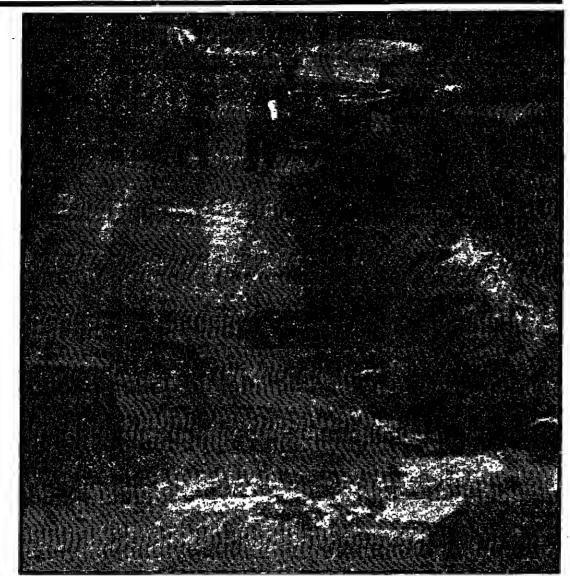
forces.

The main source of explosives is suill the South, and the Army is pressing for much tougher action there to prevent the theft of commercial explosive like frangex—which is used to ignite the primary explusive in most of the bombs in the North—and also to prevent tha disappearance of detonators. The Army would like to see close supervision of quarry blasting operations by the police, as is the practice now in the North.

But there is also a strong case for hanning in Britaia and Ireland the use of fertilizers which contain ammonium mitrate—the base of the majority of IRA bombs in both countries. Germany has done so already. Alternatively it should be possible to add a chemical which would at least make it impossible for IRA bomb "factories" to extract the ammo-nium nitrate from the fertilizer, for use in the Ammfo explosive

Where there is a will, there remains a way. Few soldiers or policemen in Ulster believe that such measures would prevent the Provisionals from carrying out terrorist attacks. But they could make it still more difficult for them to do so-and this is what half the security operations in Ulster are all about. The army and the police will not make it impossible for the terrorists of either side to operate, bowever bard they try. That will only bappen when the terrorists, for one reason or another, lose the will. The police insist that 95 per cent of the population in the bard areas of Ulster would now like to see them begin regular patrols there. But it would have to be 100 per cent before the police, who are brave enough, could do so with impunity. Northern Ireland has still a long struggle towards normality. Few people in the province now disagree with that.

> Henry Stanhope Defence Correspondent



### A year is a long time in the eastern Mediterranean



Mr Karamanlis, left, and Mr Ecevit: A new

One immediate reaction in Greece to the Cyprus disaster has been an extraordioarily bitter almost universal exectation of Americans. Nine thinking Greeks out of 10 are convioced that the CIA encouraged the colnoels to risk the coup against Archbishop Makarios which gave Turkey the pretext tn invada. There followed in Greece a passionate desire to be free of all foreigo meddling and the nutraged withdrawal from the military organization of Nato at a moment wheo Greece pateorly needs full United States sympathy and support in ber several disputes.

with Turkey. Greek leaders stress that Greece has not left the alliance. They readily admit that the bilateral agreements with the United States-for instance, the home portiog agreement for six United States destroyers; stor-age of nuclear weapons to guard the northern frontier; sea and air facilities in Crete; and maintenance of a radar screen-are much io the strategic interests of Greece and that their abandonment would also be a severe economic hlow. They argue that it took France a year to leave the military organization of Nato and two years or more to negodate further working arrangements. In the early warning system and certain exercises, for instance, France has continued to cooperate throughout. For the present,

Anti-Americanization together with the desire of Greece to be accepted as internationally respectable once more, has strongly increased the determination of Greeks to win full membership in a European union at the earliest possible moment.

Meanwhile Cyprus remains the most urgent problem. In face of the sufferings of Cyprus. ernment? For once they are Greeks feel much responsibility sounding conciliatory. The and genuine distress. As one young political agent said to me: "If there is a package deal with Turkey, I would rather make concessions over oil for the Aegean than agree to a forced transfer of Greek Cypriots from their homes." This could be a youthfully generoos attitude, hut many Greeks would agree with it, though many others now wish that

Cyprus could just be forg The Government have withdraws: about one-th the 690 Greek officers with the Cyprus National ( and will hefore long ha placed all those who we Cyprus at the time of the upon Archbishop Mai They acknowledge that the bishop has still the suppo large majority of Cypriots. It he decides turn to Cyprus, they w nething to stand io he though they would like sure that, if he goes, he responsibility bimself negntiated agreement an not merely bedevil an ment from the wings. settlement which the Cypriots accept will be

accepted by the Greeks
Behind all this the l diplomats of Greece and ? know how greatly the interests of both wou outsanding differences on for all. For the presen crisis has made a solution barder than before, by Karamanlis and Mr Ecev Prime Ministers of Greed Turkey, as national leader strong popular support ret join in a new meet reconciliation such as the interests of both con-so well after the Lat Treaty of 1913.

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### Why US is happy to be forced into détente with Cuba

If Latin American governments once had the image of heing Washiogton's faithful lapdogs they are doing their hest to directly it. Today member dispel it. Today member countries of the Organization of American States are meeting in Quito to discuss the lifting of trade and diplomatic sanctions.

So far only two countries bave announced their opposition to unlikely that the United States will want to stay out in the expected, are the right-wing cold, despite President Ford's regimes in Chile and Uruguay. dispel it. Today member trade and diplomatic sanctions against Cuba, a move which the United States is still reloctant

The latest count suggests that Costa Rica, Colombia and Venezuela, the sponsors of the motion are likely to be auccessful. Argentina, Mexico, Peru and Panama have already resumed relations with Cuba and

Brazil and the Central American republics remain undecided. The Caribbean countries are expected to abstain—they all have relations with Cuba and were not members of the OAS when Cuba was expelled and sanctions imposed in 1964.

So, unless there are any last minute changes, it looks as if the two-thirds majority needed

Mexican tour. He declared that the United States is still unwilling to enter into a dialogue with Cuba.

But if sanctions against Cuha are lifted by vote of the OAS, American opposition may begin to crumble. Relations between the United States and Lann America have not been helped by the disclosures of involvetioued opposition to Cuba in the face of an OAS decision would only disrupt relations still

In fact, a favourable decision in Quito may well give Presi- United States trade with Cuha dent Ford an excuse to recew relations with Cuba, something current high prices for sugar, he lacks at present. For at the moment there is little reason for the United States to concern itself with its Communist neighbour. Since the missile crisis

in the early sixties there has been no likelihood of a Soviet missile base being installed there. Nor is there any evidence that Cuba's revolution is exportable, another of the original reasons for isolating Caba. A

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The question of how much

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news columns of newspapers is

of the speakers explained some of the obstacles in the way of truthful reporting, and wby people who are themselves wit-

nesses of a newsworthy event

pften do not recognize the re-ports of it which appear in the

Micbael Frayn, wearing a

green corduroy suit, said that one barrier to truth was the existence of conventions in

which a reporter was expected to work. This led to the appear-

auce of identical catch-phrases

in reports of evcots. Thus fire-men would be generally de-scribed as "wearing breathing apparatus" and we would usu-ally have "policemen with tracker dngs" scouring the area in search of somebody.

(Brigg Redhead who chaired

(Briso Redhead, who chaired the discussion, contributed his

own favourite such catch-phrase: "Women, some with shopping hags. . . ")

Auheron Waugh, in a dark pin-striped three-piece, des-crihed two main harriers to truth. One was the libel law

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Theo Frayn came back with

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tion by Cuban guerrillas in the Latin Americao mainland met with no success and was abandoned in the late sixties.

Moreover, the possibilities for are fairly limited. Despite the ba's principal foreign exchange carner, there is not much sign of a boom in the Cuban economy, as the Soviet Union knows to its cost. To get United States Cuba trade going again, the United States would he obliged to make loans available to Cuba. This would be subject to approval by a Con-gress still remarkably opposed to Cuba.

The key vote in October by the Foreign Relations Commit-tee of the House of Representatives rejected by 22 to 4 a resolution that would have lifted legal restrictions against United States trade with Cuba.

And what of the Cuban Govsounding conciliatory. The Cuban Prime Minister, Fidel Castro, has stated on several occasions in the past few weeks that he is willing to negotiate with the United States once the economic blockade is lifted. Whether he will get the chance depends in part on today's crucial OAS vote.

Jo Beresford

#### Olympia's new electric hardly sounds like a typewriter at all

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#### usually get a good story when The Times I travel to Cheltenham. My last visit was 18 months ago when I wrote an item about Cheltenham Ladies' College which aroused great interest and some anger among the pupils. On Wednesday night I went there to bear a discussion—part of the annual Literary Festival and quite relevant to my previous visit—about whether reporters can tell the truth or whether novelists can tell it better. when I wrote an item about Diary

Why I am nottelling you the whole truth

Today's politically motivated sign was photographed in Nokuru Stotion, Kenya, by Glynis Fell, of Cambridge. Some of the carlier signs in the series were published in a booklet vesterday by Hamish Hamilton. It is called Signs of the Times and costs 65p.

he disagreed with as "a pip-squeak" and for implying that the Sunday Times's investiga-tions into the thalidomide tragody had been motivated by the editor's desire for hooours.
Waugh, apparently taken aback,
was furced to qualify both
judgments, though only parti-

judge who bad made a ruling

The remaining panellist was Philip Toynbee, who stripped off his jacket and grey sweater during the evening to reveal a green towelling swear-shirt. He green towelliog swear-shirt. He sided with Frayn against Waugh on the pipsqueak issue, then vigorously attacked poor Red-

truth. One was the libel law (though he gave the interesting statishe that of the half dozen libel cases he had been involved in, all the plaintiffs were journalists). The other was the reliance of specialist journalists on official sources for information. This led to cases like the Biafran war, where the official information disseminated by the Commonwealth Office in Loodoo was often at-variance with the dispatches of reporters on the spot. Redhead had heen talking about Sbostakovich and Beethoven and about how the purpose of art was to push forward human experience. The shirt-sleeved Toynhee hlurted: sleeved Toynhee hlurted:
"That's typical romantic crap"
and went on to say how craftsmanship was the essential element io writing both covels and
journalism. Redbead, who is an
experienced chairman of BBC

discussion programmes and who aged ladies who wait in most thus has great verbal facility, stores at lunch-time score over slid from under that with little svelte waiters.

One distortion which none of the speakers mentioned was the undue weight given by news-papers to the elements of con-flict in the events they report. You might gather from this very report of Wednesday night's meeting that much of the time was taken up by the speakers was taken up by the speakers being rude to each other, but this was not so. I have simply selected the two incidents of conflict for my report hecause I believe that this is what in-terasts you. The discussion in general was conducted with good humour.

Newspapers vie with each other to see which can use the words most redolent of conflict.
Thus in yesterday's report of
Britain's retaliation against
Ugandan provocation, we bad: Ugandan provocation, we bad:

"Jim trades punches with
Amin" (Daily Express); "Britain slapped hack at Uganda's
President . . (Daily Mirror);
"Britain got tough with
Uganda's President . . ." (The
Sum); "A bitter tit-for-tat row
. . . President Idi Amio so infurieted tha Foreign Office . ."
(Daily Mail).

None is an exect or given a

None is an exact or even a very helpful description of what bappened, but it is how the newspapers helieve their readers like the news presented. Auberoo Waugh best summed up the dilemma which is always facing reporters and newspaper executives: The truth is mostly extremely boring."

#### Lunchtime

Mirahel Cecil sums up her Christmas shopping season test of lunches at London depart-ment stores:

A shopper'a lunch can be A snopper a lunch can be assessed most accurately by the effect it has oo your huying. If you whize out of the restaurant and feel inclined to huy up the whole store, it has worked; if you reel out, dazed by the ecormity of the hill or the frightfuiness of the food, it has not. The food is not the only ingredient of this feeling of well-

being, conducive to extravagance. A weary sbopper likes to feel cossected, to relax, to be jollied along by the staff. And that is where the cosy, middle-

The well-being can be brought about in bumble as well as grand restaurants. I felt as much like buying all Woolworth's Christmas decorations as wanted to splurge on scent in Harrods after lunch there. The best lunch I had was in

Biba, which was fun as well as reasonably good value. The most disappointing was Fortnum and Mason, until now a favourite place of mine. After Biba, Harrods and Woolworth's in Oxford Street, were, in their different ways, excellent—Woolworth's because it was cheerful and good value, Harrods because of its style.

My lament is for the cheese board: nowhere did I find a good one, though cheese is one of the best value foods. And in these stringent nmes, where are the nourishing soups so easily made in hig kitchens?

In all shops it is best to go to lunch after one o'clock, as the queues then diminish. I wish all restaurants where there is likely to he a queue would adopt Fortnum's hahit of taking your name and letting you sit down and bave a drink while you wait for a table.

#### Pickled

Pickle Power arrived in London yesterday in the well-preserved form of Bill "The Dill" Moore, executive vice-president of Pickle Packers International Inc (St Charles, Illinois). With him come an assortment of plastic inflarable pickle men, pickle puzzles, pickle squeakers and pickle soap.

Wheo it comes to pickles no-

hody knows his onions quite like Moore, which explains why he feels confident about his three-day mission to persuade the British with the help of his simulated aids, to "think pickles".

pickles".

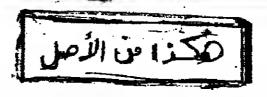
Moore—the dill is a vellowflowered herb used io pickling
more io the United States than
here—is organizing the third
annual European division conference of Pickle Packers International. With as much relish
as good humour, same 50 delegates from 10 countries are,
under his cheerful direction in

600 you suppose the doc has emigrated already?

mutual pursuit of answe the pressing prohiems of I picking, processing and ing, in the appropriate setti the Royal Garden Hotel. The discussions when reporter eavesdropped set rather low key. There wa Anglo-American disagree

about whether pickles ar impulse huy or not, followe a short analysis of pyschology of pickle huying digression into the meridisplaying huttles of pickle their hottoms or oo their s "People keep coming up saying: 'Are you serious ( this a talte-on'", said MC his a talle-on", said Mc I say I have given my lif pickles and through I think mustn't take ourselves too ously we must take our pro-so."

In the Municipal and Pu :: Services Journal Skelmerse New Town is advertising an area manager to heat team comprising a disf officer, o rent officer, lini enants and welcoming What is going on in Skelm



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#### REETINGS FROM PEKING

greetings exchanged on nal days between China and Soviet Union are naturally ect to interested scrutiny my signs of change. Even number and weight of the tives will offer clues. ever formal the message, will he touches that may terpreted as marking either line or an improvement in Jons. Yesterday's message Peking on the occasion of Soviet anniversary has cted attention because it further even than any siric signalling. It takes up a psal for a non-aggression that has before now heen issed by the Chinese as no than Soviet hypocrisy. But is overlooked. Justification and for the proposal among leads of agreement reached een Mr Kosygin and Mr En-lai when they met at neight of the tension in 1969. le textual evidence neverss needs to he looked at caution since nothing in the le relations between the countries in the past few ths lends support to any mism about an improvement. incident when a Soviet copter crossed the Chinese tier last March while on a ion of succour has certainly

aroused much anger in Moscow. Chinese charges that the helicopter was spying have drawn onhesitating denials from Moscow but with no result in Peking where the case is still

pending. The border talks resumed in the summer offer little hope either. In so far as judgment can base itself on the scanty evidence or the rival allegations it would seem that Chinese rather than Soviet intransigence has heen the stumbling block, enough to convince some Russians that the Chinese are not seriously seeking an agree-ment. In this case ir should be noted that the latest Chinesa proposal includes, along with the non-aggression pact, mention of the separation of forces in the horder areas, a demand that has from the heginning heen rejected on the Soviet side for fear that it would pre-judge the territorial

Nor did Mr Gromyko seem to he expecting a Chinese olive branch in bis speech on Wednesday on the eve of the anniversary when he accused the Chinese of suhordinating their policies to their struggle with the Soviet Union. At which point the Chinese Ambassador walked out. a common enough occurrence in of heart looks likely.

both capitals, but not one which promises on either side any bopes for improved state relations. While both sides earnestly repeat their hopes of such an improvement neither finds in the other's behaviour

anything to give them hope. Too much should not therefore be built on the different terms of the latest Chinese message. What can be said is that such an improvement in state relations as both sides say they want bas been an issue for some years past among the Chinese leadership. Many-perhapa even the majority among the Chinese leadersbelieve that a less obdurate could effect an attitude immediate improvement without any sacrifice of Chinese interests or principles. Nor is ir possible to point to any such interests or principles on which the argument. bas stuck in the exchanges of the past five years. The ohduracy points to personalities more than principles and chiefly to Chairman Mao. At a time when ill-health and old age afflict both Chairman Mao and Mr Chou En-lai the prospects of change in China may not he far diatant. Until then no real change

#### EPENDENCE ON DOCTORS FROM ABROAD

a letter on this page the icil of the National Associaof Clinical Teachers point the heavy dependence of the pital service on doctors from ad, and warn that this endence is in some respects nful. It is a case that is icult to make without ching on the inflamed general e of immigration, and it must stressed that there are timate grounds for concern ch have nothing to do with judice. It is an entirely irable thing that doctors from er countries where medical ilities may be less developed uld come here to gain perience, and that some should e taken advantage of their bts as Commonwealth citizens stay and make their careers re. But there is reason to think at the role of immigrant doctors lay is not working sufficiently their advantage, or to that of patients, or indeed to that of countries which originally ned them and may get scant rn from their investment.

edicine is a skill so ersally in demand that almost y country loses a proportion its trained practitioners to atries where the rewards are ter and meets this loss by riving others from countries ring lower rewards (or less e for medicine of an llectually challenging kind). se trends are particularly ng in Britain. The gain and seem now to be more or less numerical halance, but the ilt bas heen a high, though rall fairly steady, proportion nmigranr doctors in hospitals.

Occasionally there are grounds for doubt abour the standard of their training and their basic understanding of English, hut these are not the central causeof concern, and next year the General Medical Council is to introduce examinations to test foreign graduates on both points. What is more disturbing is the tendency for certain specialties and certain parts of Britain to hecome identified as immigrants' ground.

The letter from NACT makes this seem less striking than it is by referring only ro senior staff. In fact, if an immigrant becomes a consultant it is safe to assume that he is pretty familiar with the British nuances. But among junior staff the figures, though more static, are much higher-50 per ceot in psychiatry, 80 per cent in geriatrics—and many of these staff will have gone into those fields largely because they are relatively easy to get into. They may have no strong com-mitment to their speciality, and may well have less than a full acquaintance with English dialects and euphemisms. Junior doctors, of course, have much more routine contact with patients than consultants. in the care of the old and the mentally disturbed a special commitment and an ability to communicate easily with the patient are especially important.

The problem is not simply a failure to train enough doctors of our own. It is true thar there is no profession where there is such competition over entry, hut there is no point in training doctors simply to emigrate. The number of graduates in our

medical schools is increasing, but the number of hospital house officers fell last year all the same. If the number of immigrant doctors in Britain showed clear signs of falling there would he an urgent need for a major expansion in training. But this does not seem to he happening. There is an urgent need to make a hospital career attractive enough to encourage native-born as well as foreign doctors to undertake it.

There is an undue disparity of esteem between disciplines and bospitals. As in industry, jobs that are unpopular tend to go to immigrants (a process hard to reverse once it has occurred). Part of the trouble lies in preconceptions instilled in training, where the emphasis is on general medicine and surgery, on ambi-tion and intellectual challeoge. The merit award system and the opportunities for private practice happen to reinforce the attractions of the same popular specialties. Less glamorous wards and hospitals tend to be starved of funds and become even grimmer to work in. The career structure, where only a minority can aspire to the security of consultant status, encourages the ambitious to emigrate if their hopes of the right kind of consultancy seem remote, and almost requires the services at a low level of people who do not expect to continue in British medicine all their lives. Many of these problems are woven deeply into the customs of the profession, and to restore the balance extra train-ing places are needed less than a new approach.

#### R VORSTER'S BREEZE OF CHANGE

Vorster has asked political mentators "to give South ica a chance". If the greatest raint is used at a "delicate" e, he said yesterday, in six to --- lve months the commentators he surprised where South ica stands. Whether he was uding the foreign as well as 'il press is not clear, hut he bardly expect bis words to greeted in respectful silence, ecially when his ministers are ly elaborating on them. There keen interest in how South ica intends to adjust in its nestic racial policy as well as relations with its client and fer states now that Portugal

> ionalists. he indications are that South ica is at last seeking ciliation invernally and ernally, and that the ministers trying to convert the krampte diehards in their ty to the need for change, eed for some fast hacktracking earlier policies. The twelve oths mentioned is perhaps Mr ester's estimate of the time ith Africa has got before ssure inside and outsida

banding over Angola and

zamhique to militant hlack

omes acute. le was able to parade Mozamue's assurances on conued cooperation and its lertaking not to harbour rorists, and he asked for a mce to produce a settlement South West Africa. But zamhique ia in the early ges, and it now seems possible to make progress in with the nationalists of Swapo (South West Africa People's Organisation). Swapo and the United Nations are committed to a unitary country not to a federation of tribal bantustans with a German ranchland of the old kind in the middle running the show.

The main thrust of the plan seems to he a crash programme of bantustan development, combined with an attempt to solidify white and coloured interests in white South Africa. Ir would certainly be con-venient if other black leaders hesides Chief Matanzima of Transkei could stand np and tell the United Nations that black men in South Africa will make decisions about auch matters as memhership of the United Nations, not hlack men in New York. To achieve this Mr Vorster will need to meet the minimum bantustan demands for the land and facilities which will make these states into viable and contiguous administrative areas. But to make this long overdue concession will cost a fortune, take time, and infuriate the white landowners. Even Transkei's capital, Umtata, has not yet been handed over, or its coastline.

Mr Vorster declared that there would he black majority rule in "Transkei, Kwazulu, Boputha, Tswana, Lebua, Ciscei, Gazankulu and the others", and white rule in the white area. Already it is being suggested by ministers that the barriers between brown and white in that rich and privileged nibia without negotiations area be removed, though how far attempt.

this includes any return even to the old relatively liberal Cape franchise is doubtful. Evidently Mr Vorster sees that there are too few white men to hold the best bit of South Africa, in which half the black population still lives. Ar long last be sees the Coloureds as allies. Ir remains to he seen if the twenty-year folly of estranging the Coloureds can he expunged in a year or so. Their earlier treatment over their community council elections was

insanely inept, quite apart from a long history of racial alights. His biggest difficulty will be carrying the verkrampte politicians, the white trade unions and the platteland farmers along. Afrikaner students are ready for change, and so are many liberal Afrikaners who helped put so Progressives many Parliament at the last election. But the mass of Afrikaners are slow to move. They still feel that if Israel can hold off the ontnumbering Arahs with their oil power, white South Africa can defy black Africa. They doubt the long-term stability of any African state on their borders. They incline to feel that if their own police state is efficient enough, and the army well enough equipped, they can hold the laager until the black states reveal their inherent weakness—or until the West needs South Africa in another conflict. They are Afrikanercentred, and do not understand world change. A year is not long to re-educate them, if that is what Mr Vorster proposes to

#### inservative leadership

m Mr Maurice Cowling I do nnt understand what all se great Conservatives are sound-off about. The Conservative ty was defeated not because of pnlicies (except, marginally ut Europe) but because a large t of the electorate (including w wbo voted Conservative) were elled by a party which had beeo poralized by conflict between its iers. Whn can dnubt that the alty of innumerable electors who

wished Mr Heath well seven years ago has been effectively destroyed by the battle which he and Mr Powell bave fought publicly over its

The Conservative party contains lot of opinions, a fair number of principles and a good many possible leaders. It usually has done and it usually will. It also defends impor-

tant interests. What it needs now is not divisive philosophy" or premature definition (or even perhaps, in ideal circumstances, a naw leader). What it

needs is to heal the rift, so that electors whose sympathies have been alienated can want to come back, and Conservatives can feel that the leadership is capable of bringing intelligence and ambiguity to the task of responding to the hopes and fears of all their

Yours faithfully, MAURICE COWLING, Peterbouse, Cambridge.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### No right to break the law

From the President of The Law

Society
Sir, Your leader "No right to break
the law" concluded with the words
—"This is not, or should not be, a party dispute. It concerns respect and backing for the law, at a time when thar indispensable cement of civil society is one of the com-modities of which there is a serious

I write to endorse those words. The Law Society studiously avoids involvement in party political matters though its members are involved in all political parties. We have no hesitation in speaking out oo behalf of our branch of the legal profession in condemnation of any individual or corporation or government which seeks to put tha Rule of Law aside, for wbatever reason. This, regretably, is an occasion when such a protest must be made by lawyers, in defence of the right of the citizens of this country to he governed and protected by the Rule

To ralieve people who deliberately hreak tha law from the conaquences of their actiona is to encourage future hreaches by anybody who dislikes a particular law, in the hope or expectation that powerful friends will ensure his immunity from punishment. Youra faithfully

E. H. S. SINGLETON, President's Room, The Law Society's Hall, Chancery Lane, WC2.

#### Future of cane sugar

From Mr Nigel Spearing, Labour MP for Newham South Sir, The letter of Richard Mayne (November 5), bead of the London office of the EEC Commission, will do nothing to reassure those who refine sugar for their living. Over three thousand do so in my constituency. As those familiar with the proposals will know the "Lar-dinois Plan" is at best short term,

and at worst may not work at all.
He implies that our problems are not the fault of the EEC. Whilst it is true that some of our cane sugar suppliers bave recently sold elsewhere, he must also agree that the EEC have been most reluctant to do anything that might persuade them that there is a future for cane sugar in Europe. On the contrary, with the long term aim of self sufficiency in beet

sugar, the EEC have done everything to suggest that cane sugar should be excluded. In May, 1971, the request of the United Kingdom for long-term entry of specific quantities was not agreed. Instead there was the famous aura a coeur, and even this has yet to he demonstrated in practice. On June 27, 1972, the then Opposition tried to write in conditions, including the 14m tons, into the Com-munifies Bill, but was defeated by eight votes. Since then the "bank-able assurances" bave consistently bounced, even if the next presentation succeeds, success will be very late indeed. Long-term arrangements

importing cane sugar at fair prices assists Third World producers, is fair for the consumers, and gives regular employment to refinery workers. Even if the EEC at last coocede the point that cane and beet can and sbould co-exist the delays will not be to their credit.

Yours, etc, NIGEL SPEARING, House of Commons.

#### Art and investment From Mr George J. Levy and Mr

Godfrey Pilkington Sir, Mr Peter Wilson, Chairman of Sotheby's writes (November 7), works of art still provide one of the few investment opportunities". However, it bas always been our opinion and that of many of our colleagues in the trade that works of art cannot properly be equated with stocks and shares, and thus the term investment as applied to works

of art is in reality a fundamental misconception.
Yours faithfully,
GEORGE J. LEVY, President,
British Antique Dealers' Association

GODFREY PILKINGTON, Chairmao, Society of London Art Dealers, As from 20 Rutland Gate, SW7.

#### **Incentives for charity**

From Lord Longford Sir, The current serious economic crisis threatens the living standards of many people. For some, however, this is no new crisis—it has been with them for most of their lives they are the homeless and deprived who have known little but poverty. As the Chancelinr puts the finish ing touches to his Budget it is per-haps a moment to reflect upon the seriousness of the present situation for those worst affected by inflation the poor—and those charitable and statutory agencies who seek to assist them. Although I write as chairman of the New Horizon Youth Centre, the problems which we face are little different from those of other small charities which work amongst those in need.

As inflation, unemployment and homelessness begin to bite, we in a setting such as New Horizon experience even heavier work loads. while at the same time our own running costs are also increased by inflation. Many who give to work such as ours, understandably reduce their giving in times of economic difficulty. Yet it is at precisely such

nimes that we are needed most.

Were it not for the fact that our own staff have taken a salary cut, our work would have bed to be curtailed. Many voluntary agencies are faced with cut-backs and closures. Yet, as we know all too well, the statutory services bave no prospect of moving in in their stead.

As we face a winter of sacrifice and hardship, it is surely right to ask that statutory provision for tha poor should be maintained at least at its present level, and that those who wish to give to charitable con-cerns should be given every possible incentive to do so. Yours sincerely. LONGFORD,

New Horizon Youth Centre,

1 Macklin Street, WC2.

#### Too many doctors from abroad

Sir, We, consultants in district general hospitals appointed by universities to be responsible for tha organization of medical teaching in our areas, write this letter as we are deeply concerned over the dependence of bospital medical practice on doctors from abroad and, in particular, over the trends at con-sultant levels.

Already 13 per cent of all consultants in the National Health Service are trained outside this country and, more important, of all Senior Registrars, from whose ranks future consultants are appointed 29 per cent are oow trained overseas. These figures are an average for all specialnes. In some sbortage specialnes the numbers are higher—in geriatrics for instance 25 per cent consultants and 61 per cent of Senior Registrars did oot graduate in Britaio. In meotal illness comparable figures are 17 per cent and 37 per cent. In these two very different fields, the care of the elderly and the welfare of mentally disturbed patients the importance of the doctor being of the same ethos as the patient is particularly clear. We believe that any country can usefully have a minority of its doctors from elsewhere but a substantial proportioo would anywhere be undesirable.

Urgent action is required now if thase trends in hospital medicine are to be reversed. To do this it is oecessary to train more doctors in this country and ensure that a career in hospital medicina is attractive enough to stop the continuing net emigration and loss to other hranches of medicage of British-trained doctors.

It is ludicrous to deny a medical career to our own gifted young men

From the Members of the Council and women, but this is happening as of the National Association of letters in your columns from haad-masters have indicated. If, despite letters in your columns from haad-masters have indicated. If, despite expansion, the number of places in existing medical schools is still in sufficient—and clearly it is—then new venturesome methods of train iog doctors should be explored.

A training in hasic sciences is within the capability of the Opeo University if existing universities cannot cope with the numbers Clinical training could be given at a very high standard in many of our district general hospitals with their highly acrive postgraduate medical education centres which bave been one of the few encouraging features of hospital activity over recent years. Medical students who have spent periods of their training to these hospitals attest the excellence of the clinical resources and teaching there.

A working party composed of representatives of the hodies responsible for hospital staffing and medical education, fortified by lay representatives, should coo-sider our auggestions so that the number of British-trained doctors will be adequate for our hospital Yours, etc.

H. M. Leather, Chairman, John A. Airken, J. S. Blair, Rowland J. Calvert, Pater A. Clark, I. J. T. Davies, P. C. Farrant, J. E. Grainger, J. L. James, Philip James, H. Ker, K. J. Kernohan, L. C. Lum, D. R. K. Medley, C. S. Pitcher, H. G. H. Richards, F. Rohertson, R. E. Smith, Robert B. Wilson. Wilson,

National Association of Clinical Tutors, As from Plymouth General Hospital, Greenbank Terrace, Plymouth, Devon. October 25.

#### Private patients in NHS

From Mr E. W. Hameetman Sir, It seems that one of Britain's most paralysing diseases, "queue-itus", is claiming a new victim— bospital pay-beds.

It is in the came of this obsession that people with moderate incomes, who value privacy when ill above

bigger cars and colour television, will in future be prevented from exercising the decreasing freedom of choice left to them by the modern state. In this case the freedom to make sacrifices for the health and well-being of their families.

But the people who will not suffer from the dogmatic acrics of the present Covernment will be the really wealthy. They will laugh (if circumstances permit) all the way to the luxurious clinics over bere and abroad—clinics which are out of reach for the moderate income or reach for the moderate income man, even if he bas joined an insurance scheme. Especially those who have reached reckement find it increasingly difficult to meet the ever locreasing costs of those schemes and they are not always able to the scheme and they are not always able to the scheme and they are not always able to the scheme and they are not always able to the scheme and they are not always able to the scheme and they are not always able to the scheme and they are not always are not always and they are not always are not always and they are not always and they are not always able to afford payments which would compensate them sufficiently for going into private hospitals or clinics.

as were a good compromise reached by wiser men than are now at the helm. There are many people who, when ill, prefer wards to the isolation of a private room. Others (not for snob but psychological rea-sons) prefer to suffer in silence and their being forced into putting their books down and discossing their symptoms with others would be ao

added torture. If the Government plans oo payheds are put into effect oobody gain, except perhaps on paper. But the loss (in goodwill from the still thinking part of the population) and, above all, in medical expertise, will be enormous.

Yours faithfully, E. W. BAMEETMAN. 7 Prae Close, St Albans, Hertfordshire. November 6.

From Dr Michael S. Rose Sir, It is good to know that "the hospital consultants", whoever they may he assumed to be, are an concerned with the fortunes of the dispossessed private parients. We are of course not dealing with the iasue of private patients at all, except in so far as they are a means to our own wealth, social pressige and privilege.

Mrs Castle's political strategy must be basad on some intention. If it is to reveal the ideological bankruptcy of the medical profession, I am surprised that such dangerous steps are required to display such an obvious feature. None the less, hefore the representatives of the hospital coosultants jump through Mrs Castle's hoop, although they are probably in mid-air already, we should enquire whether it is possible to achieve anything more than public contempt for their efforts in the current social climate.

Income bas been a major preoccupation for too long. I recollect
my resentment as a houseman,
when I was expected to mediate
consultants' private incomes by my
atteodance upon their private
parlents, for which I got a pat on
the bead or a gratuity at best, never
pro rata payment. I can understand the objections of technical
and pursing staff to their exploitaand nursing staff to their exploitation in private medical enterprises. They went over the top and they were right.

The hospital consultants are not a monolithic body and this com-munication is intended as an expression of that. We cannot afford a polarization of the public health Services where options are ao oligarchy of bospital consultants, feathering their nests. or a National Health Co-operative run by chief shop stewards, as visualized by Alan Coren (Punch. July 10, 1974).

Whatever foundations there are for cooflict between the hospital consultants and the government, public, and ancillary staff, we should perhaps agree that £5,500 £8,000—incideotally, the real full time NHS consultant salary scale—nave for the bread and milk even pays for the bread and milk eveo if it doesn't buy Bedside Manor or get our children the private education we helieve we deserve to afford. I do not believe that social and economic privilege are legitimate objectives for industrial action. The inhereot values of our work are too important to he demeaned hy such trivial pre-occupation and in due course we will get what we are worth. No amount of huffing and puffing will make us worth more, and indeed will probably make us worth less Yours siocerely.

MICHAEL S. ROSE, Consultant Haematologist, St George's Hospital Medical School, Blackshaw Road, SW17.

needs a Secretary of State 'Yours faithfully,

Cefntilla Court.

November 3.

Usk,

Gwent.

#### Devolution to the regions

From Lord Raglan
Sir, Mr Tam Dalyell complains
(Letters, November 1) of "the
patronizing attitude of some of the English media towards things Scottish"; but he is only describing Loodon linking dnwn its nose at the provinces, as Paris dnes at the rest of France. This superiority of tone is and has for bundreds of vears been directed towards every where from Caithness to Cornwall and if it were a cause of separation

He goes on to say that "over 70 per cent of the Scots who bothered to vote rejected aeparation", yet that is not in fact true electors were only given a choice of different degrees of separation. Scotland has retained a separating border and a separate law, and bas acquired a separate Secretary of State who has a separate department. It seems probable from Mr Dalyell's seositivity to what be sees as "English" criticism that he feels

separate too. From experience at Westminster it appears to me that because Scotland already bas so many special arrangements for itself that other MPs do nnt take the interest in Scottish affairs that otherwise they would, and so the feeling of aliena tion gets compounded. If Scotland were to get a separate parliament (and it would not he as a regional devolutionary parliament but to mark Scotland's distinction as a nation) Westminster would find itself taking even less interest io Scatland, end as the machinery for saparate government would then have been set up, it is a reasonable bet that in a few decades Scotland would an independent

The British custom of creating Secretaries of State, Governors November 4. Geoeral or special parliaments has encouraged nationalism because it has given Westminster's endorse-

### ment to the notice of separatism and exclusiveness. Are Scotland's problems as unlike those of, say, North Eastern England that it

by now every county would be demanding independence.

From Mr Stewart M. Ewing Sir, If the people of Scotland waos to go their own way politically, why shouldn't they? After all, England for the English is an attractive proposition. The SNP advocated independence for Scotland long before the oil was discovered. But oil is now a factor and the position seems to have come down to this. The oil fields are too valuable for any English Government to give away as part of a deal for Scottish independence. Given gond will on both sides I do not think this is an

uoanswerable problem. According to Time magazine the United Kingdom is now experiencing in the growth of Scottish nationalism a "revolution with manners". I think our Eoglish frieods can rely on a manoerly approach by our Scottish political leaders continuing. The discovery of oil in English waters would be I think the ideal solution to this problem, but until such time an amicable approach to our mutual problems at the highest level is called for. Yours faithfully,

STEWART EWING, 52 Queen's Drive, Glasgow. October 31.

### The clear purpose

of Nato From Mr Hugh Hanning

Sir, Ludovic Kennedy's article oo November 5 on the defence of November 5 on the detente of Northern Norway was extremely vivid, but it was disturbing to find him questioning whether Nato would automatically come to Northern Northead way's defence if she were attacked. This impuges not only the whole purpose of Nato, bot also saps at the chief foundation of peaca in the

world. In this century, two world wars started because the aggressor genuinely did not know whether he would meet with serious opposition. The Kaiser did not know whether Britain would fight for Belgium. Hitler could not believe that Britain would fight for Poland. The whole eliminate this element of un-

certainty. lo our time the greatest dangers of World War Three bave all occurred in areas where Russia was unsure of Western intentions: Korea, Cuba, the Middle East, the Congo. This was often because, like Asquith's cabloet, the West did not know its owo intentions. In Europe thanks to Naro, there has been or

thanks to Naro, there has been or misunderstanding, and no war.

Norway may be hard to defend So is West Berlio. But Nato is pledged to defend Norway, and dearnating that pledge with every dramatizes that pledge with exercises on the Northern flank involv ing British, Caoadian, American Belgian, Danish, Dutch, Germao and Italian forces. This is as it should be If we permit any doubts io alien mioda as to our intentions to defend any part of the Alkance, we could all be engulfed in a very mass

Yours faithfully, HUGH HANNING, Director, The British Atlantic Committee Beojamin Franklin House, 36 Craven Street, WC2. November 6.

#### Clergy stipends

From the Reverend Bruce Reed Sir, The call by the Reverend ( Lawson-Tancred for an effective pro fessional body to further the right ful interests of parochial clergy in supendiary and allied matters (November 5) is at one and the same time a challenge to the lairy and a rebuff to the episcopate.

Church Commissioners and other ecclesiastical authorities only determine the minimum supends, which are supplemented from central funds. There are plenty of experi-eoced lay businessmen in local churches who are aware of the finan-cial state of their clergy. To the exteot that they take action in urging their fellow parishioners to con-tributa to clergy stipends, they are showing the value they place upon their ministry. How many parochia!

church councils place this matter high on their agenda?

The professional body, os distinct from lay, which takes care of clerg, and their interests is the episcopare They are not only the pastors of the pastors, but also their "shop stewards", who represent those who share with them the "cure of souls"

tha Church of England
What is needed is to find ways of supporting bishops to take their shop steward role, rather than to set up an ucofficial union, which will only push them farther intr being over-hurdened administrators. hy treating them as if they were reluctant members of a hoard of directors. Yours faithfully, BRUCE REED, 3 Lake House, South Hill Park, NW3.

#### Tied cottages

From Rear Admiral I. J. Lec. Spalding Sir, Mr David Gemmill's letter (The Times, November 2) puts the case for the ried cortage system force fully. What oeeds emphasizing in this connection is that there are a large number of areas where the system is in operation, not least in those controlled by the Government. Mr Gemmill's list in his second paragraph is not intended to he complete. If I may mention a few

more, there are the Navy, Army. Air Force and the Church. What vicar can stay in his vicarage when he leaves the parish? What would be the reaction of the Ministry of Defence if sailors were allowed to stay in their married quarters when they left the Royal Ňavy 🤉

Yours faithfully, I. J. LEES-SPALDING, 76 Limerston Street, Chelsea, SW10.

#### Cost of timber

From Mr Joseph Dean Sir, Instead of crying for help from government, as Mr Methuen suggests (November 2), tree owners might do better if they banded together to make sure that they get a proper price from timber or pulp merchants. Anybody wbn wants to fell or sell a tree or to buy a gate-post will be astonished by the amount be has to pay on buth transactions.

It should not be impossible for one of the country associations to organize some surt of comperative both to advise its members about the real market value of trees and to provide a felling and selling service, whether the trees staod in large or small plantations or even alone. As things are nowadays, a vast amount of valuable timber goes, one might say, by the board. Yours faithfully

IOSEPH DEAN, The Hall, West Brahnume,

Ashford, Keot.

#### A simplistic question

From Mr A. J. Brayshaw Sir, What does simplistic mean? Does it simply (or simplistically) mean simple? I think it's horren-

Yours truly, A. J. BRAYSHAW, Apple Trees. Recch Road. Haslemere, Surrey.

Christening

Birthdays today

Society for Health

heen invaluable io hringing about "this vigorous partnership".

Latest estates include (pet, before

duty paid: further duty may be payable on some estates):

Cox, Mr Robert, of Wimbotsham, Norfolk (dnty paid £3,426) £380,668

Beckett, Amy, of Little Sutton, Merseyside (duty paid £18,972)

Memorial services

Education

Latest wills

Receptions

Soviet Ambassador On the occasioo of the fifty-seventh

auniversary of the Great October Socialist Revolution (National Day of the Soviet Union) the Soviet

Ambassadot held the reception

Amoussaot neighbor the reception yesterday. Among the guests were Mr Harold Wilson and other members of the British Government, leading figures from major political parties, members of Parliament, senior officials from the

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

and other government departments, members of the Diplomatic Corps, leaders of British trade unions, representatives of industry, banking and commerce and many friends of the Soviet Union.

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The Directors of Inchespe and Co,
Ltd. Oeld a reception at Claridge's
hotel last night. The guests were
received by the Earl and Countess
of Inchespe and among those
present were:
Mr J. 1. Armatrong, Righ Commissionar
for Australia and Mrs Armatrone, Mr
Davis Hughes, Agent Gonaral for New
South Wales and Mrs Hughes, Mr H. f.
Gougensland Mrs Whilo, Syed Abdus
Salian, High Commissionar for Baneladesh and Begum Kulsum Bultan, Mr J.
Cameron Tudor, High Commissioner for
Barbados, Senhor Barglo Corres os
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General for Ousbec and Mmc Fournier,
Mr W. Cornell. Agent Contails, Mr O. M.
Baster Carlbboan ond Mrs Ches, Mr Bardlo and Mrs Economics for Hengels, Mr S.
And Mrs Allens and Mrs Barglo Corres
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And Mrs British Barglo Commissioner for Melaysia and Ars Winl. Mr Almand Al-Nakib.
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Mr Tilak E. Gooner and Mrs Goonerame,
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Mr Bolomi

When you see people who are starving, deformed, crippled-their needs are obvious. But deafness is different. Ynu can't see it. So it's all ton easy to dismiss sameone as being stupid, dull or uncommunicative when their only fault is an fault of theirs: deafness.

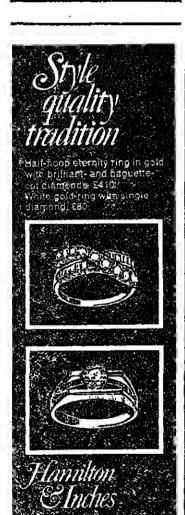
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#### The Royal National Institute for the Deaf

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#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** November 7: His Bacellency Moo-sieur Mecislav Jablonsky was received in audieoce by The Queen this morning and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credance as Ambassador Extraordinary end Plenipotentiary from the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic to the

slovak Socialist Republic to the Court of St James's.

His Excelleocy was accompanied by the following members of the Embassy who hed the bonour of being presented to Her Majesty: Monsieur Vladimir Jaoák (Minister-Lounsellor). Dt František Telicka (Mioister Counsellor). Colonel Jiri Boušek (Military aod Air Atleché), Monsieur Daoiel Fatăra (Commercial Attaché) Moosieur František Pavils (Secood Secretary (Cultural Artaché)), Monsieur Pavel Štuirajter (Secood Secretary) aod Moosieur Jan Příkopa (Third Secretary).

Madame Jablonská bad the honour of being received by The Queen.

Queen.
Sir Thomas Brimelow (Permarent Uoder-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Foreign and Commonwealth aniara), who had the bonour of belog received by Her Majesty, was present and the Gentlemen of the Household in Waiting were in

the Household in Waiting were in attendance.

The Lord Winterbottom, the Lord Meichett, and the Lord Lovell-Davis had the honour of heing received by The Queen upoo their appointment as Lords in Waiting to Her Majesty.

The Duke of Edinburgh arrived at Arbroath Railway Statioo in the Royal Train this morning and was received by the Vice-Lieutenant of Angus (Brigadier James Oliver). Lieutenant of Angus (Brigadier James Oliver).
His Royal Highness, as Captalo General, then drove to visit 45 Commaodo Royal Marioes at Coodot Barracks and was received by the Commandant General Royal Marines (General Sit lan Gourlay) and the Commanding Officer (Lieuteoaot-Colonei L. E. Hudson).

The Duke of Edinbutgh, as President of the Maritime Trust, was later received upon arrival was later received upon arrival at Dundee Docks by the Lord Provost of Dundee and Lord-Lieutenent of the County of the Clty of Dundee (Mr Thomas Moore) and the Chairman of the 'Tern Preservation Society (the Earl of Dalhousie).

Royal Highness visited the nineteenth-century frigate Unicorn (Captain W. R. Stewart, RNR) and was entertained at luncheon. This afternoon, The Duke of Edinburgh opened the Medical Research Council's Clinical and Population Cytogenetics Unit (Director, Professor H. J. Evans) at the Western General Hospital, Edinburgh.

Having been received by the

Having been received by the chairman, Medical Research Council the Duke of Northumberland). His Royal Highness later declared the Building open, unveiled a plaque and toured the Unit.

The Duke of Edinburgh was received upon arrival at East Kilhride Railway Station this even-

received upon arrival at East Kilhride Railway Station this eveoing by Her Majesty's Lieutenaut
for the County of Lanark and
President of the Scottish Branch
of the National Playing Fields
Association (the Lord Clydesmuir)
and the Provost of East Kilhride
(Mr James Smith).

His Royal Highness, as President
of the National Playing Fields

of the National Playing Fields
Association, attended an Industrialists' Dinner, given on hehalf
of the Scottish Branch of the Association, at the Bruce Hotel.

The Duke of Edinburgh subsequartize rejology the Royal Train quently rejoloed the Royal Train at East Kilbride Railway Station. Major Henry Hugh Smith was

November 7: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this morning visited Queen Mary's Loodon Needlework Guild at St James's Palace.

The Lady Katharine Seymour was in attendance.

Mr A. P. Mullen and Miss M. D. Bedford
The engagement is announced between Anthony Patrick, elder son of Mr and Mrs Mullen, of Cripplegate, Rusper, Sussex. and CLARENCE HOUSE

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE November 7: The Duke and Duchess of Kent this evening attended a Presentation of Briosh Fashion by the Clothing Export Council at the British Embassy in

Toelt Royal Highnesses, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, were attended by Lieutenant-Commander Richard Buckley, RN, and Mrs Alan Hen-

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE, RICHMOND PARK November 7: Princess Alexandra, try Holidays Fund, was present today at the meeong of London and Country Helpers Oeld at The Lady Mary Pitzalan-Howard was in attendance.

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#### Luncheons

Deputy Speaker Mr George Thomas, Chairman of Ways and Meaos, gave a luncheoo yesterday at the House of Commons in honour of Miss Maria Groza, Deputy Speaker of the Romanian Grand Nacional Assembly Physics 1988 bly. The Romaniao Ambassadot and Mme Popa were present. Stock Exchange

The Chairman, Mr G. A. Loveday, and members of the council of the Stock Exchange gave a luncheon party at the Stock Exchange yesterday. The guests

Exchange yesterday. The guests were:
The High Commissioner for Australia. Mr T. Jofferson Cunningham, Mr Hugh J. Dykes. MP, Mr I. J. Fraser. Mr Crispin Gascologia, Raar Admird Morgan-Giles, MP, Mr J. P. R. Giyn. 2tr Ronald Harris, the Hon Bavid Monlagn, Mr J. G. Phillimore, Lord Samdel of Wych Cross, Mr M. F. Stonsfrost and Mr Aubrey Wilson. fidiand Bank British Press

Pictures Awards 1974 Sir Archibald Forbes, chairman, Midland Bank, was bost yesterday at a luncheoo giveo by the bank et Grocers' Hell on the occasioo of et Grocers' Hell on the occasioo of the presentation of the Midland Bank British Press Pictures Awards 1974. The guests included: alr William Barnatson, Mr G. Gromerty Bloom, Mr G. W. Grand, Mr N. G. W. G. W. G. W. Harrold Craus, Mr B. W. Edwards, Mr Harrold Craus, Mr D. W. J. McCagan, Mr A. J. Miles, Mr J. A. Poll, Mr B. R. Roberts, Mr J. A. Rose, Mr P. alephena, Mr B. Vickers, Mr E. J. Winninglon-Ingram and Mr C. Wintour.

Dinner: Institute of Cost and Management Accountants
The President of the Institute of The President of the Institute of Cost and Management Accountants, Mr Denys E. Edmonds, gave a dinner at Painter Stainers' Hall, EC4, last night. The gnests were:

Mr E. Barren, Mr J. B. Blbby, Mr J. Aller, B. Barren, Mr J. B. Blbby, Mr J. Aller, Mr J. B. Coston, Dr A. H. Chilver, Mr John Davios, Mp, Mr J. G. Day, Mr A. P. da Boor, Mr W. Dakker, the Duke of Hovonashire, Mr F. J. Doggoli, Mr J. C. Buckworth, Mr J. B. Duncan, Mr G. Godwin, Molor-General J. C. Gould, Capital J. F. Hamilton, Mr K. A. Ratchur, Mr F. J. Doggoli, Mr J. R. Ellis, Mr C. R. Garnham, Mr G. Godwin, Molor-General J. C. Gould, Capital J. F. Hamilton, Mr K. A. Ratchur, Mr F. J. Dowen, Sir Renaid Maiville, Sir Alao Heslo, Mr R. S. Olilvant, Mr S. J. Owen, Sir Barry, Poga, Mr J. J. Page, Professor A. 'Poacock, Sir Frank Price, Mr R. F. W. Scotl, Dr M. Alinclair, Malor-general J. D. B. Smith, Mr H. Alepheneon, Mr T. A. Swinden, Mr P. M. F. W. Scotl, Mr J. Trafford, Caotain General J. D. B. Smith, Mr H. Alepheneon, Mr T. A. Swinden, Mr P. J. Tapscott, Mr G. H. G. Tilling, Mr J. S. B. Towler, Mr J. Trafford, Caotain Webb, Mr R. W. L. Wilding, Mr R. Haywood Williams, Mr N. R. Wylls and Mr T. B. Decembarsh, Mr W. L. Wylls and Mr T. B. Decembarsh,

#### Forthcoming marriages

The engagement is announced between John, younger son of Mt and Mrs Robin Adair, of 1 Crockford Park Road, Addlestooe, Surrey, and Joanna, danghter of Wing Commander end Mrs W. Graham Gow, of Copstooe Shaw, Cousley Wood, Wadhurst, Sussex.

Mr R. M. B. Henley and Miss G. Stanton

The engagement is announced between Robert Michael Brooks, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Michael Henley, of Clonyard of Southwick, by Dumfries, and Geraidine, daughter of Mr and Mts John Stanton, of Houghton St Giles, Walsingham. Norfolk,

Rev P. J. Howson and Miss E. J. Walsh

The engagement is aunounced between Peter, twin 500 of Mt and Mrs Harold Howsoo, of Forty Hill, Enfield, Middlesex, and Jane, daughter of Dr and Mrs Rodney Walsh, of SarisOury Greeo, Southampton, Hampshire.

Mr P. J. W. Ledger, RM and Miss S. P. McL Power

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The engagement is announced hetween Peter Jeremy Walton, son of Mr and Mrs P. W. Ledger, of Elkstone Court, Elkstone, Gloucestershire, and Sbeeoa Patricia McLannahan, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. F. C. McL Power, of Casa Xanado, Tai Virtu, Rahat, Malta, formerly of Moousbill, Isle of Wight.

The engagement is authouticed between Anthony Patrick, elder son of Mr and Mrs Muller, of Cripplegate, Rusper, Sussex, and Margaret Diana, younger daughter of Mr Douglas Bedford and step-daughter of Mrs W. L. Bedford, of Monks Dene, Old Oak Avenue, Chipstead, Surrey.

Mr V. H. Needham and Miss A. V. Wisdom

The eogagement is announced between Vernon, son of Mr and Mrs F. H. Needham, of g Polhili Avenue, Bedford, and Alison, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs S. H. Wisdom, of 31 Grange Lane, Bromham, Bedford.

#### Marriages

Mr G. Menzies and Mrs D. F. S. Burke The marriage took place in Loudon on Monday, November 4, between Mr George Menzies and Mrs Sonya Burke. The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr and Mrs F. D. M. Gamhle, of Eaton Socon, Cambridgeshire, and Diene, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. P. O'N. Pearson, of Chenies, Oakwood Hill, Ockley, Surrey. Mr R. B. Hopkins and Miss M. M. Sharp

Mr P. C. D. Gamble and Miss D. K. O'N. Pearson

The engagement is announced between Richard B. Hopkins, son of Mrs Hopkins and the late Mr Ban Hopkins, of Cherry Tree Cotrage, Flints, near Tamworth, and Margaret Mary Sharp, SRN, SCM, daughter of Mr and Mrs Ernest Shatp, of 13 Girdwood Road, London, SW18.

Mr M. Lawless and Miss L.-A. Scrimgeour

The engagement is announced between Martin, elder son of Mr and Mrs C. R. Lawless, of Pippins, Netherton Road, Appleton, Berkshire, and Leslie-Ann, second danghter of Group Captain and Mrs D. McL. Scrimgeour, of Heathdene, Ray Mill Road East, Maidenhead, Berkshire,

and Miss K. A. Denton

The engagement is announced
and the marriage will take place in
Seattle early in 1975 between
Michael, son of the late Mr P. A.
Mace, and of Mrs J. M. C. Plowden, of Bushley, near Tewkeshury,
Gloucestershire, and Rebecca,
daughter of Mr Jack V. Denton,
Sr. of Seattle and of Mrs Betty Sr. of Seattle and of Mrs Betty Denton of Seattle.

Major R. M. Readhead and Miss J. F. Saunders

The engagement is announced between Major Robin Readhead. 9/12th Royal Lapters (Prince of Wales's), elder son of Lieuteoant-Colonel Robert Readhead, DSO, and Mrs Readhead, Gurdons aod Mrs Readhead, Gurdons House, Wormley, Godalming, Surrey, and June Felicity, eldest daughter of Mr John Saunders, CBE, and Mrs Saunders, Beehive House, Box, Stroud, Gloucester-thire.

Mr W. J. Sturdy and Miss E. C. Makips Smith

The engagement is announced between William John, son of the late Mr and Mrs W. L. Sturdy, and Elizaheth, daughter of the late Mr G. Makins Smith and Mrs E. Makins Smith, of Cheltenham.

Mr L. Wulff and Mrs L. Lewin

The marriage took place quietly between Mr Louis Wulff and Mrs Lisa Lewin in the Queen's Chapel of the Savoy on Wedoesday. of the Savoy on Wedoesday, November 6. 1974. Canon Edwin Young. Chaplain of the Royal Victorian Order, officiated.

# **Furniture** prices higher than

expected ago, there were very encouraging signs in a sale of Continental furniture at Christie's yesterday.

Sotheby's Belgravia held a sale of silver and objects of virtu, which totalled £42.435. Gunther paid £4.500 for a Hermann Böhm Viennese enamel, lapis lazuli and silver-gilt ostrich casket and stand, 27 inches bigh, estimated at £3.000 to £5.000. A fine gold souff hox inset with dlemonds and so enamel portrait miniature of Queen

#### 25 years ago

At the request of the Society for Health Education, the Leverhulme Trust has made an annual grant of £24,000 for three years for research into health education at Nottingham University. Sir Harald Peake, chairman of the society, said the trust had indicated that it would sympathetically consider extending the grant in the light of what was achieved by 1977. He added that the society's honorary treasurer, Sir Miles Clifford, a former director of the Leverhulme Trust, had heen invaluable in hrluging about Liverpool Street

From Our Special Correspondent For hoth passengers and railway engineers, Liverpool Street is easily the most irritating of London's stations. Every time an effort is made to improve cooditions . . . there is a piece of bad luck.

Lambert, literary and arts editor, The Sunday Times, gave a reading from Milton's Areopaginca.

Court of Appeal

#### Ordering spouse from matrimonial home: practical approach applicable to a case such as the

finally in September, and sbortly afterwards filed a peddon for divorce on the ground of his upreasonable behaviour. The picture she painted of him was that he was aggressive in a variety of ways which were familiar to their Lordships. She also took out a summons asking for the rellef the judge gave ber because she wanted to go Qack to the flat with the Bassett v Bassett Before Lord Justice Megaw, Lord Justice Ormrod and Mr Justice Cumming-Bruce Where the court is asked to order one spouse to leave the matrimonial home pending suit in citcumstances where the marriage is breaking down, it should think in terms of bomes, especially for the childreo, and then calculate the balance of hardsbip between

The court dismissed an appeal by The court dismissed an appeal by Mr Terence George Bossett from ao order, made by Judge Phelan io chambers on October 18 on e summons by his wife, Mrs Sylvia Frances Bassett, granting ber an injuocdoo testraining him from returning to, entering or attempons to enter or loitering ocar the Ong to enter, or loitering ocar the matrimonial home in Powerscroft Road, Claoton, Londoo. Miss Elizabeth Lawsoo for the

husband; Mr Thomas Coningshy and Mr David van Hee for the LORD JUSTICE ORMROR SIN that the parties were married in 1970, when the husband was 31 and the wife 24. The husband had hoen married before and hed a son. A child was horn in February. 1973. They went to Uve in e small

wo-room flat.
According to the wife, the marriage was extremely unhappy for reasons which the husband dis-puted in May, 1974, the husband's son, theo 15, went to live io the flet because his mother had moved

net occause his mother had moved away from Loodon. That created great overcrowding.

lo July the wife left for the first time, taking the baby with her. She went to live with her parents, sharing a single bed, with het sister in a room with another woman and with the baby in a cot. The discomfort was such that she woman and with the baby in a cot. The discrimfort was such that she must hare hail strong teasons for leave the marrimontal home was a drastic order in that it was likely to occasion hardship leaving bome.

At the hushand's request she returned to the flat, hut she left an order might be no less drastic

summons asking for the relief the judge gave her because she wanted to go Oack to the flat with the Caby without the husband Oelog there.
The husband, in an affidavit in

The husband, in an affidavit in reply to the wife's, demicd all her allegations. As an explanation for the breakdown of the marriage Oe merely suggested that a head thiurs she had received as a child had affected her behaviour. It was clear that the marriage had irretrievaOly brokeo down. All he did was to uodertake not to molest her. His one object was to exclude her from the flat.

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submitted that the wife had failed to bring herself within the principles of Hall v Hall [1971] 1 WLR 404), in that case Lord Denning said that an order to exclude one spouse from the matri-

exclude one spouse from the matrimondal home was a drastic order. It ought not to be made unless it was proved to be impossible for the spouses to lire together in the same house.

In Phillips to Phillips 1] 1973] 1 WLR 615) Lord Justice Edmund Davies adopted Lord Denning's "impossible "phrase and added: "Has it been established that the conditions which prevail in the matrimonial home are such as to make it quite intolerable for the wife to continue to share that accommodation with the busband?" In his Lordship's judgment those adjectives end phrases had to be read in the cootext of the facts of the particular cases. In order a

and one or the other spouse would be leaving in any event. It had been admitted that there was a strong probability that, after the decree nisi, the wife would obtain the flat as a home for her and the child so that the effect of the order on the husband, although drastic, would only be felt by him sooner than later.

So far as ptinciple was con-cerned, the element of protaction of a spouse bad always played an important perr in the decisions. Protection must not be loterpreted too narrowly. It went much farther than protection from vio-ience or apprehension of violence. When the court was confronted, as in the present case, with a wife who had left with her bady and gone to live in grossly overcrowded conditions the court must look for an explanation. The wife said that she was frightened of her husband. He denied it. In the ebsence of an explanation that she was associating with norther magnificants. an explanation that she was asso-ciaring with another mao it was difficult to see why she would put herself and her family in that posi-tion without good reason. If there was good reason she needed the protection of the court, not to save her from physical violence, but to enable her to have somewhere to dire-reasonably—with her haby. enable her to have somewhere to live-reasonably—with her bahy. On the cases, therefore, their Lordships had to ask themselves whether such a situation would be "impossible" or "iotolerable". His Lordship's conclusion was that it would he "impossible" for the wife if she were required to return and live in the flat with the husband and his son. Hall v Hell was quite a different case on its facts, not was Phillips v Phillips

mars.

MR JUSTICE CUMMING-BRUCE, agreeing, said that lo cases where injunctions were sought to expel a spouse from the matrimomial bome passages from Court of Appeal judgmeous were frequently quoted without adequate regard to their facts. The effect had been that the right to an injunction was light misrate review.

an injunction was liable mistakenly to be regarded as onduly circumscribed. To the present case the accom-modation which the wife occupied at her parents' home was

applicable to a case such as the present.

The position had been properly described as "impossible", and his Lordship was quite satisfied, on the facts, that the husband hed adopted a thotoughly hostile attitude towards the wife. He had made no proposal with regard to the son, who was still living to the flat. The only way the wife could keep out of the way of the husband and his son would be to keep out of the flat altogethet. known, but there was no evidence from the husband to suggest that he would have any special difficulty in finding accommodation for himself if he had to leave, and there was no reason why the hoy should not return to live with his morther. and his son would be to keep out of the flat altogethet.

The remaining Important question was what effect the Judge's order would have on the husband. Would he be rendered homeless? On the facts it would not he impossible for Olm to get some place to live while the wife's position could only be described as desperate. his mother.

The approach of the court to applications to expel a apouse from the matrimonial home pendiog suit should he strictly practical, having regard to the realities of family life. Where e mother was looking after e child or children it was necessary to examine with the utmost care whether it was really practicable for husbaod and wife to continue to live in the perate.
Where the court was dealing with

a marriage which was breaking down it should think in terms of bomes, especially for the children, and then calculate the balence of hardship between the spouses, not undersettentially the difficulty than the children. really practicable for husbaod and wife to continue to live in the metrimomial bome. The principle be extracted from the cases was thet the court should consider the accommodation available to both spooses and the hardship to each if the order was graoted or refused, and then the court should consider whether it was really aensible to expect a wife and child to endure the pressures which the coordined presence of the other spouse would place upon them.

In the present case the husbaod was going to pray for a divorce on the ground that the wife's behaviour was such that he could not reasonably be expected to live with her. When the coort was considering the extremely limited accommodation available, that factor was also televant to the quesdoo whether they could really be required to live together until the final determination of their rights after the divorca. under-estimating the difficulty which even a single map had to finding somewhere to live, but hearing in mind that the hreak would have to be made to the near future. Where en impossible struction did exist the sooner it was ended the better. Delay in such cases might be a serious demail of justice and sometimes a grave failure on the part of the court to exercise its "protective" powers. finding somewhere to live, his

rights after the divorca.

Lord Justice Megaw dellvered a concurring judgment.

The appeal was dismissed. Leave to appeal was refused. Solicitors: Clinton Davis & Co; Trott & Gentry.

# **OBITUARY**

After the uncertainties of the English furniture market a week

The heavy ornate Dutch marquetry and large Italian pieces were attracting prices comfortably on ot above their estimates. An eighteenth-century Dutch marquetry display cabinet with an arcoed and glazed front and chamfered sides measuring 60 inches wide was sold for £3,180 (estimate £2,100 to £2,625) to e private buyer.

A late eighteenth-century Dutco marquetry cylinder bureau inlaid with vases and flower sprays went to another private huyer at £1,470 (estimate £525 to £840).

The afternoon sale, devoted to carpets, totalled £9,254, hringing to total for the day to £53,557? A sale of vintage port, sherry and cognac totalled £47,533.

triset with diemonds and so enamet portrait miniature of Queen Victoria went to Grans Antiques for £1,500, estimate £1,500 to £2,000 and Bloomsteio gave £900 for a four-piece tea and coffee set, makers mark J. W. and J. W., Exeter, 1855, estimated at £500 to 5800.

A sale of drawings and water-colours at Sotheby's tealized. £10,657.

The infant daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Parker Bowles was christened Emma Teresa at the Church of Our Lady of Dolours, Fulham Road, oo October 31 by Father Jerome Lambert, OSB. The godparents are Mr David Bowes Lyoo, Lord Irwin, Mr Christopher Pilkington, Lady Cecil Cameron, Miss W. Daly, Mrs George Pilkington and Mrs John Robson. The first day of a Stauley Gib-bons two-day sale of Great Britain postage stamps made £18,536 Air Marshal Sit Norman Coslett, 65; Rev Professor V. A. Demant, 81; Sir William Kiminmonth, 70; Sir Aoorey Lewis, 74; Sir Richard Luyt, 59; Professot Rohert McWhirter, 70; Lord Oakshott, 70; Sir Charles Tennyson, 98; Sir Alexander Waddell, 51.

A block of four of the twopenny Oloe of 1840 wito eaco stamp neatly cancelled by a red Maltese cross fetched £1,700 end a penny stamp with Treasury toulette used on a cover seot from London to Burford In January, 1852, realized £430.

From The Times of Tuesday, November 8, 1949

luck.
Yesterday, when the Eastern Regioo was introducing its fastet and more frequent all-electric services on the Shenfield section, the whole line went completely dead through a power failure; and wheo this was put right a fault developed on the overhead cable at liford and held up normal services until 2.55 pm. Steam trains, which the electric service was to displace endrely from yesterday, were htought back to assist in maintaining a service.

When the new electric line was

When the new electric line was opened recently by the Mioister of Transport, there were hreakdowns on the steam-operated sections at Liverpool Street.

Fleming, Mr Joho Russell, of Dot-field (duty paid £16,084) £90,441 Memorial service for Lord Inford, QC, was held at Hampstead Parish Church on Friday, November 1. The Rev Graham Dowell, Vicar of Hampstead, officiated, Sit Gordon Willimer read the lesson and Lord Boyd-Carpenter, Chairman of the Civil Aviatioo Authority, gave an address. Mr Edward Heath, MP, was represented by Mr John Loveridge, MP, Among those present were:

Ladv Inford (Camden, Camellio, Mrs R. F. Camelon, Lord Inford (William Reger Amen) Clerk of Camden, the Deputy Mayor and Deputy Mayoress of Camden, the Deputy Mayores of Camden, the Deputy Mayor end Deputy Mayores of Camden, the Deputy Mayores

suitable to enable her to discharge sadequately her duty to bring up the child. The husband proposed that she and the baby should returo to the flat but was insistent that his soo soould coofine to stay there. The difficulties of finding accommodation were well known but there was regulation.

and Rinehart, Inc. and Farrat, Straus and Young, has died at the age of 78.

cipal reader.

Benet urged the publication of Anthony Adverse by Hervey Allen and in 1933, the Erm, had its biggest best seller.

A successful series published by Fartar and Rinehart was the Riners of America group 21 volumes devoted to some of the country's major and minor waterways. It was edited by Carl Curmer and Benet and won

Today's engagements

The Prince of Wales accomes bonorary loctorate of law conferred upon him by Queen Eliza-

war he spent in the Directorate of Public Relations at the War Office. He was Rector of Aber. deen University from 1945 & 1948. During the Korean War he was a temporary lieutenant colonel in Kotea. In his admirable and wholh

Otkney Fortress. The rest of the

MR ERIC LINKLATER

Novelist, playwright, biographer

Mr Etic Linklater, CBE,

novelist, playwright and biographer, died yesterday in St

John's Nursing Home, Aherdeen, aged 75. He was edmitted to the nursing home several weeks ago with thrombosia.

Eric Linklater never quite

schieved the criocal tecognition

that would seem due to an author who possessed such powers of wit and comic inven-

tion and so lucid and elegant a

prose style. No doubt his versa-

fility was partially responsible for this, but there is also the fact that his work, for all its

distinction, fell only uneasily

into the normal literary

Although he had his affini-ties with Peacock, and with

other Scots writers such as

Urquhart, Norman Douglas and

perhaps Stevenson, be was very

much his own kind of writer. Eric Robert Linklater was

born in 1899 at Dounby, Orkney.

of the Norse stock of the island on his father's side, and on his

mother's of mixed English and Swedish descent. Both his father

and his mother's father were

sea captains. He was educated at Aberdeen Grammar School, and in 1917, aftet a term or two

as a medical student at Aber-

deen University, he went into

He saw the war through as

a private in the Black Watch,

was wounded, and after the wat

went back to Aberdeen Univer-

sity to study medicine, which

he abandoned later to tead English. "English" included

Anglo-Saxon, which led him by

stages to Icelandic and to an absorbed interest in the Notse

sagas. On graduating in 1925,

he went to Bombay as an assist-

ant editor on The Times of

Two vears later he was

anpointed assistant to the Pro-

fessor of Enolish at Aberdeen

and from 1978 to 1970 he was in the United States as a Com-

monwealth Fellow, ostensibly

to work on a book on Ben

Jonson, which did indeed

appear in 1931 as Ben Jonson

and King James hut, more sig-

nificantly, to gather the material for his satirical novel,

Ivan in America which, pub-

lished in 1931, brought him immediate fame.

Thereupoo he settled down in life of professional and pro-

lific authorship combined with

much travelling—to India again and to China, for material for Juan in China, which appeared in 1937—a life interrupted in

1932 by an incursion into politics

as Scottish Nationalist candidate

vas a major in the

in the East Fife by election.

categories.

the Army.

characteristic sutchiography The Man on My Bock (1941) Linklatet observed that "feet authors can spare for their own.
lives much of the colour, the
adventuring and vivacity of their
work. Linklatet was one who
did. The panache of his book
he wore in his own life.

No author, to meet, was more like bis work. He looked, an often sounded, with his barkin voice, although there was a co of himself, very much like the conventional cotion of a pr fessional soldier, but a profe sional soldier who bubbled wit wit and high spirits, was brilliant talker and had a va and exuberant knowledge

literatute. He held strong views abo the virtues of the British solds and for the rest of his life be evidence of the ardnuts of se vive in the ftont line. His ski was deeply indented as a test of his First World War wound As his work shows, he was

combination of what are usua

regarded as opposed types, t romanoc and the satirist. Nov. as widely apart in the time their writing as Poet's P. (1929) and Position of No. (1958), reveal that his kinst with Peacock was a real ooe. At the same time, the corre tion indicates both his stren He wrote one of the hest prostyles of out time, a prose firm based in the eighteenth centu

at once sonorous and sha masculine and mannered to point of dandyism. But with few exceptions, most obvious being his novel the campaign in Italy, the lightful Private Angelo (194 in his books his approach to l was through literature. T was apparent from the beg fitst of a series of btilliant tot

de force.
Although there were times in Men of Ness, when it tesult something close to litera archaenlogy, it never preclud wit : far from it. Nor did it p clude imagination. Rather, seemed that Linklater needed story or a fahle of the past order to focus his imaginadi as, for example, in his rema ably sympathetic recreation the Samson story, Husband Delilnh (1962). Linklater called himself

carpenter, not an artist. He v in fact a fine and fastidio artist, but his art off-demanded a considerable c noisseurship of literatute bet real value, which, although admittedly not of the high kind, was one that has ne been common, and was mi less than common in the per in which he wrote.

In recent years his wo included The Voyage of Challenger, Fanfore for n ; Hat, and The Corpse on Claph Before the Second World War Common. Linklater was marri he was an officer in the Territo Marjorie, ynunger daugh trial Army, and from 1939 to of the late Ian MacIntyre. whom he had two sons and Royal Engineers commanding daughters.

There were two very stro

tests in his career. First, management of the Whips ro-

after his succession in 1948

#### LORD HAILES

Sir Robert Cary writes:

The sudden death of Patrick Hailes will come as a great shock to his many friends, particularly those who had seen him receptly when he was re-covering from a short illness.

I write as one who was privileged to share a very long friendship with Patrick Heo-burn in the House of Communs when we were members of the Whips roum in the Great Coalition and later through the vears until he was appointed Governor-General of the West Indies. His inclinations were centred upon persons tather than poli-

cies. Successively, he was close and the links there were our to Olivet Stanley, Winston Churchill and Anthony Eden. He bad a fund of good stories that any great diarist would cove, and his laconic way of telling them endeared him in all who cared to listen. Being the most discreet of men, he shared that narricular mien: with a very limited circle of friends. That trust was never betrayed.

the office of Conservative Ch Whio. Secondly, against doub expressed in some quarti about the wisdom of his appoi menr as the first Govern General of the West Indies. discharge of that particu task brought honour to Monarchy he was privileged represent. In it he had i gracious assistance of his char ing wife Diana, to whom alt o sympathy must flow. Theeth they created a fund of so will throughout the West Indi severed.

I saw Pairick Hailes ve recently. He was hinvant a full of plans for the feture. I had a refined good taste architecture and was himself; artist in oils of great craft manship. The ines of his adviand guidance to the arrist committees on which he serve and over which he presided w' leave them that much poore

the Carey-Thomas prize spo

sored in 1943 hy publishe weekly, the Book Trade Journ

By the time he entered il publishing field with his ow

company Farrar had himse already heen published. He he produced poetry, a one-act pla a full length book and a

anthology.

After the First World War i

which he saw service, he was a reporter and feature write for New York World; he editor, in 1921, of the New Yor

literary monthly. The Bookma

and wrote a book column . Tiric magazine.

His wife, who survives him

Farrar, a former crossivar puzzle edint for the New Yor.

Times who also edied cross word puzzle books for Simol and Schuster and was an associate and advisory editot will

Farrar, Straus and Co.

Margaret Petberbride

#### MR JOHN C. FARRAR

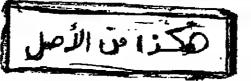
Mr John C. Farter, author and founder of two American publishing companies, Farrar

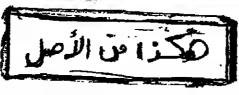
Farrar, Stanley Rinebart and Rinehart's mother, the mystery novelist. Mary Roberts Rinehart, founded Farrar and Rinehart, tounded trarrar and Kinehatt, Inc. in 1929. Farrar was editor. vice-president and chairman of the board. Steven Vincent Benet was the company's principal vacable.

The Duke of Edinburgh opens new bomes on Byker Housing Estate, Newcastle upon Tyne, 10.20; receives booorary freedom of Trinity House, Newcastle upon Tyne, 11.30; lunches with Lord Mayor of Newcastle upon Tyne. Mansion Honse, 12.30; as Admiral of the Sea Cadet Corps. reviews patade of Tyneside and reviews parade of Tyneside and Tees units. Knightshridge T and AVR Centre. Gosforth. 2.30.

beth the Queen Mother. Chan cellor of London University Senate House, 4,39. Princess Anne. patron o' the Rid-inc for the Disabled Association, attends aroual meeting and national conference of the arso cletion, Netional Equestrian Ceotre and Chesford Lion Hotel. Kenil worth. 11. Кешi worth, 11. Queen Elizabeth Inc Queen Muths

visits Field of Remembrance. 51 Margaret's, Westminster, 11.2 The Dirke of Kent. as Colonel-in-Chief. dioes with The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, Tower of London, 7.40.







### THE TIMES **BUSINESS NEWS**

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Close look at

statements to

A reexamination of the aims

and scope of published financial statements is being undertaken

by a working party of the pro-fessional accounting bodies. Initial results are planned to appear by June 1975.

The study, which is being given the highest priority by the accounting profession, will look at the public accountability of all economic entities, although it-

all economic entities, although it-will concentrate on business

In a statement yesterday the

Institute of Chartered Account-

be prepared, and the informa-tion appropriate to their intec-ests. It will also consider the

most suitable means of measur-ing and reporting the economic

position, performence and pros-pects of undertakings for these

The working party is chaired by Mr D. Boothman, a member of the English Institute's Coun-cil and a partner in the Man-

hester office of Binder Hamlyn

Singleton Fabian. Its members, most of whom have now been

picked, include financial direc-tors of leading companies as well as professional accountants,

and the group is backed by the International Centre for Re-search in Accounting of Lancas-

ter University under Professor

Last night Professor Stamp

said that the group's aims coincided to some extent with those

of the recent Truehlood Report in the United States, although it

boped to take a much broader social view than its American

A consultative panel repre-

senting a wide raoge of interests

including the Government, the

EEC Commission, the Securities and Exchange Commission in

the United States, trade onions

and various business bodies will

be informed of the group's pro-

gress and invited to submit

A reexamination of traditional

bases of accounting and report-

ng has been canvassed by

leading accountants for some time. Until recently the profession has felt obliged to give priority to the work of the Accounting Standards Steering Committee in what Professor

Edward Stamp.

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Financial Correspondent

By John Plender

### evere shortage rail trucks olds up coal for wer station

Correspondent

rere sbortage of railway is preventing one of s newest and most t power stations from all the coal it can burn ime when the Central ity Generating Board is tely searching for every f coal it can find.

shortfall in deliveries to IW B power station, near is one of the principal why total coal deliveries B power stations since 1 are 158,000 tons below grammed amount.

National Coal Board aays 0,000 tons of Welsh coal ulable to the generation ach week but only 60,000 og accapted.

use of the peculiar quali-Welsh coal it can he only in power stations berthaw B specially deto bandle it, so the surinnot be transferred to in other parts of the

··· sh Rail said last night e sudden upturn in the s of coal had produced a e e of rolling stock. The is had assumed that coal decline in importance at stock orders had heen to make good the shor-

in's electricity chiefs are ptimistic about the pros-f getting through the winithout any major power sainly on the hasis of their mance during the coldest er on record since 1917. lough the unseasonable er increased fuel consump-

creased by 50,000 tons. This situation was achieved by

burning 1.5 million tons of oil over 51 per cent mora than expected

The CEGB is still expecting to receive 33 millian tons of coal from the NCB this winter and is optimistic that this figure can he echieved. If the productivity deal is signed and output from the pits increases, coal deliver-ies could rise to 36 million tons and the board has told the NCB that it would burn 40 million tons this winter if the coal was

Despite price increases earlier in the autumn coal is still extremely competitive with heavy fuel oil, and this is the basis for renewed enthusiasm for coal at the CEGB. In the event of the incentive scheme being rejected by the miners' ballot it seems unlikely that the promised 33 million tons of coal will materialize this winter. At best the coal board estimates it will he 500,000 tons short of the

Providing the sbortfall in projected coal snpplies does not slump aignificantly below this level, the generating hoard has sufficient spare oil fired capacity to make up the difference. But it is reluctant

to do so since oil prices bave gooe up by 140 per cent since last September.

Howaver, it was only by increasing the oil burn at the larger, more efficient oil stations that the CEGB was able to make a small iocrease in its coal stocks during October coal stocks during October.

At the end of the summer coal stocks stood at 11.87 million tons instead of a planned 13.75 million tons, but by November 3 coal reserves bad risen to by 8 per cent and coal design of 11.91 million tons, against a planned level of 12.59 million tons.

### upont offering of 500m well received

ctations of lower intermercial paper, for example, was: ates stimulated strong for \$500m (about of notes and honds I Dupont de Nemours, ant chemical company.
cers in New York said
ould be surprised if the
lational City Bank did not

r cent from 104 per cent ow. Many bankers and lealers confidently expect ime rate to sink to 10 per the next few weeks. huge Dupont offering is part of the new issue that the bond markets hsorhing with apparent be booming bond market ions are being aided h fresh funds being d into the banking system · Federal Reserve Board. gan Stanley and Co led 18-member underwriting are of the Dupont offer-Pealers said demand for ipont \$350m 30-year bonds "quite fantastic". The

pon of 8.45 per cent to te an effective yield of ng demand was also seen 1e Dupont \$150m seven-

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trading just above 9 per cent Ciribank uses a money market formula to adjust its prime rate, which calls for a present rate even lower than the 101 per cent that is expected to he

One small northern bank, the Micbigan National Bank of Detroit, has even overtaken the nation's hig hanks by announcing that it will set a 101 per cent prime rate to be effective on Monday.

Some bankers bad fears of a liquidity squeeze developing as the Treasury moved to drain about \$1,200m in what was described as "one of the heaviest tax and loan calls seen in

weeks." But swift Fad action countered the impact of this move and made it certain that government agencies coming to the market for quite vast sums this week would encounter little difficulty. The Treasury yesterday sold \$2,500m of three-year notes and said today that the average bid was a pricing of 99.737 per cent, with a coupon of 7.7 per cent, to give an effective yield of 7.85 per cent

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e directors declared a first interim dividend of 1.8% Net. 73 2.5°% Net.) on 7th August 1974 which was paid to Share-ters on 4th October 1974.

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INTERIM REVENUE STATEMENT

notes, which were priced

destruction' By Edward Townsend ord Robens, chairman of Vickers, spoke our strongly in London yesterday against what he saw as the weakness of British society—" the almost un-believable self-destructive industrial relations of this century"

Addressing the Institute of Directors' annual conference at the Albert Hall, Lord Robens stressed that every strike made the economic plight of tha country worse. They were self-inflicted wounds from which the country would slowly bleed to

hitsout

Lord Robens' remarks were greeted by several bouts of applause from the 5,000 comapplause from the 5,000 company directors who packed the ball while Mr Len Murray, the TUC general secretary, sat impassively to his left on the speakers' platform.

Later, Mr Murray delivered a surprisingly mild speech, commenting only briefly on Lord Robens' address and reiterating union demands that mains com-

union demands that major com pany decisions should be made by mutual agreement "instead of managements trying to im-pose them on people ".

Lord Robens bad some kind words for one union leader. He described Mr Jack Jones, gen-eral secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, as the only one of note who bad been bold and courageous enough to show the atature of

leadership. He praised Mr Jones's recent speech urging moderation in wage bargaining as "momentous". There would be many union leaders who would not like it, "but this forthrightness by Jack Jones deserves the edmiration and the commendation of all intelligent and sensible

peoole in this country.

Mr Murray chided Lord
Robens for not concentrating on the subject of industrial accidents. While be bad been speak-ing 200 people had been injured some would lose weeks or months from work.

He also spoke of unions' desire for greater accountability of companies to workers, and said that the TUC proposed the formation of supervisory boards with 50 per cent worker mem-

Conference speeches, page 22

### Pay dispute settled

A long and troublesome pay dispute involving key toolroom workers at Chrysler's two Coventry car plants was settled yester-day when they voted to accept an offer of improved overtime rates for weekend working and a cash concession in connexion with a staff pension scheme. The settlemenr results to a

large extent from the intervention by the Government-sponsored Conciliation and Arbitra-tion Service which brought management and union repre-sentatives into fresh talks after earlier negotiations had failed. Now they bave accepted an increase in weekend overtime rates from time and a half to time and threequarters, and a once-for-all lump sum payment in connexion with the pension

scheme transfer. Jaguar lay-offs: Two thousand assembly workers at Jaguar's Coventry plant were laid off yesterday because of a strike at another British Leyland factory. The strike in the paint shop at the corporation's car body plant ar Castle Bromwich, Birming-bam, at first involved 250 paint shop men in an argument over a shift payment. They were yesterday joined by about 1,000 production workers.

#### Bonn may decide on Herstatt

Cologne, Nov 7.—Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, said that the Bonn government might have to intervene if a satisfactory arrange ment for compensating creditors of Bankhaus ID Herstatt was not reached.

The Chancellor told a meeting of the West German In-surance Federation that the government would weigh the consequences of a failure to reach agreement, and "act if

necessary". Herr Schmidt's statement came as pressure mounted on Herr Hans Gerling, 81.4 per cent sbareholder in Herstatt, to work out a settlement on the basis of suggestions by mediator Herr Guenter Vogelsang

#### Mr Benn guide to NVT workers

Mr Benn, Secretary of State for Industry, is to visit the Norton Villiers Triumph plant at Small Heath, Birmingham, today to explain to employees how the workers' co-operative at the former Triumph factory at nearby Meriden will operate. Workers at the Small Heath

factory bave expressed fears that the Meriden co-operative could endanger their jobs. They want an assurance from Mr Benn that in the event of a recession in the motor cycle market the co-operative will not be given priority.

### by brokers at 'industrial expanding in Europe

By Jobn Whitmore Ar a time when the pressure is on the stockbroking community to cut back its costs, Hoare & Co, Govett, which itself announced 60 redundancies last March, is pushing abead with

an ambitious plan to promote its data-STREAM financial time-sharing system in Europe. In what must rank as a unique exercise in cooperation between the stockbroking world and a government-sponsored institu tion, the scheme is being backed by the National Research and

Development Corporation.

The dataSTREAM network, which offers subscribers access to extensive industrial, economic extensive exte mic and smck market data banks, has been planning to go international for more than a

During this period data bank bave been prepared on a num-her of overseas economies and smck markets and in addition to its coverage of the United King-dom and Hongkong markets detaSTREAM now offers sub-scribers coverage of the United States, France and Germany. Plans are in band to expand French and German coverage

and to provide services on the Swedish, Italian, Australian and South African markets. The first target in Europe will be the Dutch financial commu-

nity. The group has been run-ning a service to Roheco, the investment group, for some time and re-cently leased a direct line to Holland and set up a branch office. direct lines to other continental centres so that the system can

serve clients in Paris, Frankfurt

and Zurich. The service will be available in French and German as well as English. The price paid by European subscribers will be appreciably higher than that paid by British reflecting the higher capital outlay involved and the higher running costs. Against an annual cost of £2,500 to £6,000 for a British subscriber, the cost to continental users is

£10,000 range.

The total capital outlay involved will depend on the speed of expansion and bow quickly the project starts to become self-

likely to be in the £8,000 to

### Lord Robens Data service | Shell seeks inflation accountancy reform as income surges ahead

By Anthony Rowley
Royal Dutch/Shell, the Anglo-Dutch oil group, yesterday came out in favour of accounting reforms to prevent com-panies being taxed on unrea-lizable stock profits caused by inflation.

Accompanying the announcement of a further apparently massive profits increase, the group's statement access designed to prompt political criticism over its current price

increase applications as well as m sway the Chancellor's autumn Budget thinking.

Third quarter net income at Royal Dutcb/Shell was 82 per cent up, from £169m to £304m, but are the content of this hut around one-quarter of this increase simply reflects the in-creased value of stocks following further rises in the cost of cruda oil. The tax charge rose from £268m m £672m in this period.

"In a continuing business,

By Our Financial Staff

Share prices fell back yester-

day when the London stock

market was unsettled by ner-vousness ahead of Budget Day

and by persistent rumours that another big company planned to follow the lead from Commercial

Union Assurance and raise cash

Among several major com-

panies named in the rumours

vere ICL whose shares dipped

to 145p before rallying to close a net 5p off at 146p; Burmah

Oil, 6p off at 148p; Lloyds Bank,

5p off at 115p; Grand Metro-polizan, ip off at 29p, and Tube Investments, down 5p at 155p.

Yesterday speculation follows

the market success of the rights issue by Commercial Union, whose new shares were quoted yesterday in the fully-paid form for settlement in the new

account at 78p-a premium of 18p over the subscription price.

But some dealers yesterday doubted the likelihood of fur-

ther cash raising in the market

at least until after Budget Day.

Earlier, the market was upset

by disappointing trading results from Boots and from Sbell, as

well as by reports that some

by means of a rights issue.

Rights issue rumours

unsettle markets

profits used in replacing stocks at a higher cost should not be viewed as current profits, yet for tax and other purposes they are treated as if they had been realized", the statement said.

"It is insufficiently appreciated that the generally accepted accounting principles used to calculate these results

have progressively less validity. They provide a reasonable view of the true financial state of a business only in times of relative price stability.
"Their application in present

conditions of spiralling costs, especially in the oil industry, distorts substantially the underlying realities."

Royal Dutcb/Shell says that though its oil stocks held out-side North America were about the same at the end of the ihird quarter of 1974 as in 1973, their value and cost of replacement was £1,200m or three time higher.

Arab states would continue to press for higher oil prices. The Times index fell 1.55 to 75.18

and the FT index 4.2 to 191.3.

Boots: Reflecting the impact of

of interim pretax profits from

£5.2m to only £112,000. But for

profits on property sales of

results bave shown an improve-

55pc decline

house starts

total private sector starts for

the third quarter to 55 per cent

below those for the equivalent

period last year and 8 per cent

down on the previous quarter.

Private bouses completed were

down by 6 per cent on the

previous quarter and 33 per

cent on a year earlier.
In the public sector, starts

were 11 per cent down on the previous quarter but 29 per cent up on a year earlier, while com-

pletions were 2 per cent and
19 per cent up respectively.
Building industry representatives yesterday called for
efforts from the Government to

stimulate demand from bome

The House Builders federation wants the Chancellor in his

Budget next week to take a

number of steps to improve the situation. These include remov-

ing uncertainty about mortgage rates, postponing repayment of

the Government loan to build-

THE POUND

in private

Further OPEC cost increases applicable from October 1 will add an additional £100m to replacement costs. This gether with overall cost infla-tion, will completely absorb the nil trading margin unless prices in the market place are allowed to respond to these increasing costs.

Moreover, in times of in-flation, conventional accounting principles exaggerate not only the profits by inadequate depreciation provisions, but also the return on capital by understatement of the current value of capital employed", the group added.

group added.

Total Compagoie Françaises des Petroles, the French oil group, yesterday announced that its first balf pre-tax profits rose from F1,606m (about £146m) to F7,126m (about £648m) but the tax charge was up from F1,286m to F5,909m.

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Institute of Chartered Accountants said that the working party would aim "to identify the persons or groups for whom published financial reports should **Details** given of how crisis

hit WAB By Christopber Wilkins The extent of the crisis experienced during the summer by Western American Bank (Europe), one of the leading London-based consortium banks,

higher costs, pre-tax profits of Boots declined by 4.8 per cent bas now become clear. to £26.4m in the six months to By the end of September the bank's deposit hase had been more than halved from its level end September, while sales rose hy 18.7 per cent. Roover: Third quarter results at the previous balance sheet date of January 31. The bulk from Hoover yesterday showed a collapse in pre-tax profits from £5.4m to £1.5m. Hoover, of the deposit withdrawal is believed to have taken place in the wake of the Herstatt Bank which has been suffering from unofficial strike action ar its collapse in June, which sparked off a wave of uncertainty Cambuslang and Merthyr Tydfil factories since the beginning of among depositors about certain hanks active in the Eurocur-rency market.

last month placed the hlame for the shortfall fair and square on price restraint. Several consortium banks were in the forefront of those falling under the cloud of Debenhams: Sbares of the Debenbams department store group fell 4p to 31p following the announcement of a slashing

Figures published in a prospectus issued in connexion with a \$20m Eurobond offering by the financing arm of the Bank of Tokyo, one of WAB's share-bolders, reveal that WAB's deposits were down from £517m £592,000, the group would heve reported a loss. In recent weeks, trading to £237m between January and

the end of September.

Over the same period total halance sheet assets were also more than balved from 5565in to £272m. The bank's capital ment while the benefits of a major cost reduction programme bave hegun to be apparent. Financial Editor, page 21

base, boweyer, remained un-changed at £27.6m.

In September WAB an-nounced that it bad received "significant" support from its parent banks which, besides the Bank of Tokyo, are the National Bank of Detroit, Security Paci-fic National Bank, Wells Fargo Bank and Hambros Bank.

Stock Exchange inquiry The Couocil of the Stock Ex change is to inquire into dealings in the ordinary shares of FMC, prior to announcement of the bid by the NFU Develop-

The directors of FMC asked for an inquiry. The FMC shares rose from 29p on October 4 to 38p at mid-day on October 9 when the bid, which values them at 65p, was announced. Bidding for a marketing change,

#### Committee in what Professor Stamp described as "pressing Stamp described of "ressing fire-fighting operations". Bill provides for state takeovers

Scottish oil sites are to be taken into public ownership under the terms of the Offshore Petroleum Development (Scotland) Bill. published vesterday. This gives the Secretary of State for Scotland power to scquire compulsorily, if necessary, any land in Scot-land needed for any purpose connected with the exploration

for on exploitation of offsbore

page 21 petroleum.

### Head Wrightson half year report

	to 31 July 1974	to 31 July 1973	to 31 Jan. 1974
_	£000	£000	£000
Tumovar	23,717	18,731	40,369
Trading Profit before interast and		, i .	
axcaptional itams 8ank and Dabentura	748	1.022	2,307
Interest	(350)	(111)	(397)
F	398	911	1,910
Exceptional items	(1,827)	(482)	(745)
Investment Income	(1,429) 13	429 2	1,165 4
(Loss)/Profit hefore tax Tax	(1,416) 596	431 (122)	1,169 (377)
(Loss)/Profit after tax	(820)	309	792

The Group results are based upon unaudited figures.

The Group expects to book a total of £80 millions of orders in the year Head Wrightson is primarily a heavy engineering group angeged in long-term contracts. Initiation continues unabated, material supplies are uncertain and there is heavy pressure on weges and salaries. We have been unable to recover the resulting increased costs in full in our selling prices. After consideration of present economic uncertainties we have decided to make exceptional provisions totalling £1,827,000 before appropriate tax relief. Somewhat over helf the total provision is against our iron foundry where over the past 12 months escalation in costs has been 55.2%. Negotiations are proceeding on fixed price contracts taken in 1972.

and III) Our entry into the North Sea of equipment market where we consider it prudent to write off the development costs incurred

The Directors have decided to defer the payment of an interim dividend. Barring unforeseen circumstances the trading profit for the second half of the year will be better than that for the first, All tional items will be dealt with in greater detail in the Annual

Head Wrightson & Co. Ltd., The Frierage, Yarm, Cleveland

7 November 1974

HEAD WRIGHTSON

#### Ever Ready cleared of abusing monopoly of merging foreign competitors. By Maurice Corina

commendation that significant reductions should be made in the price of Mallory photographic batteries has been accepted by the Government. At the same time, ir is asking the director-general of Fair Trading to maintain special surveillance over the prices policies and pro-fits of the Ever Ready company, Britain's dominant primary hat-tery maker, which also has a 25 per cent shareholding in Mallory.
These moves follow yester-

day's publication of the commissinn's investigation into the aupply of primary batteries, which rules that Ever Ready has a monopoly position, but has

Mr Alan Williams, Minister of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, commented: "While the commission found that the company had not abused its market power, they considered the possibility of abuse existed and that it was possible, in some years time, there might be a case for a further reference."

The report reveals that Ever Ready makes 80 per cent of Britain's zinc carbon batteries, with at present no really strong competitor in spite of Vidor (Crompton Parkinson) and imports Mollows in the literature of the control of ports. Mallory is totally dominant in the mercury battery market, though there are signs

Besides recommending operated against the public interest. The Government bas asked Mr John Methyen, director-general of Fair Tradiog. to discuss the implementation of price curs.

In the course of their inquiries, the commission found there was "substantial ignoramong customers as It urges Ever Ready ro take

further steps to make customers aware of these different applicationa, as well as introducing dare marking. In particular, the commission doubts whether Ever Ready has done enough to warn the public that higher margin HP batteries are not such good value as SP types for certain uses, such as in torcbes.
Although the commission does

make any specific recom-

#### How the markets moved

Rises Cons Tea & Land 10p to 125p Jokai 5p to 80p Ningate Explor 5p to 235p Nat of Aust 12p to 190p Peko Wallsend 10p to 335p 7p m 192p 12p to 160p Aust Estates Aust & NZ 1p to 13p 20p to 365p 12p to 452p Brit Engalon Bk nf. NSW Broken Hill Com Union nion Corp Falls Head Wri'tson Imp Chem Ind Lloyds Bk Mixconcrete 8p to 15p 5p to 146p 5p to 115p 6p to 30p 1p to 157p 8p to 360p 61p to 21p Ass Port Cement 4p to 86p Bracken Mines 20p to 280p 15p to 117p 6p to 148p 40p to 900p 5p to 143p 1p to 71p Burmah Oil E Driefontein GKN Selection Tst Worth Bond

Commodities: December sugar plunged £50.50 but the London daily price was raised another £20 to a peak £556. Cotoa fell sharply after early gains and copper lost £3.75 after being £15.75 higher. Zinc declined £5.75 and LME silver fell betweeo 7.4p and 80. Reuters index was 5.1 up at 1,261.4.

Reports, pages 24 and 25 Equities were weaker. Gilt-edged securities held steady in quieter trading. Sterling fell five points m \$2.3470. The "effective devaloation" rate was 18.8 per cent: Gold dropped \$1 to 5178.25. SDR-5 was 1.19882 on Wedoesday while SDR-£ was 0.510897.

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Raies for bank noise only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Rifferent rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

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Company Notice:

A Monopolies Commission re-By Patricia Tisdall regular review of Mallory's prices and profits, the commission conclude that the level of Only 7,000 new private bouses were started in September comprices charged on its sales of pared with 18,000 in the same photographic batteries resulted in excessive profits and thus month last year, according to figures issued by the Department of the Environment yesterday. September results bring the

> to the most appropriate uses for the different types of zinc carbon batteries.

mendation about the cross-share bolding of Ever Ready in Mallory, the members thought it right to draw attention to the possible undesirable conse-quences of the investment in and representation on the board of a company operating in a field so closely related

#### ing societies, and putting off plans for land nationalization. The Times index: 75.18 - 1.55FT index: 191.3 -4.2

		Bank buys	Ban sells
	Australia \$	1.85	. 1.80
-	Austria Sch	44.25	42.25
	Belgium Fr	91.00	88.25
	Canada S	2.36	2.31
•	Denmark Kr	14.20	13.80
	Finland Mkk	9.00	8.75
	France Fr	11.15	10.85
_	Germany DM	6.10	5.90
	Greece Dr	73.75	70.75
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	Hongkong \$	12.05	11.70
		L650 <b>.</b> 00	1605.00
	Japan Yn	730.00	705.00
	Netherlands Gld		6.05
	Norway Kr	13.10	12.75
	Portugal Esc	63.00	- 60,50
-	S Africa Rd	1.84	1.77
ar		137.50	132.50
	Sweden Kr	10.40	10.10
'n	Switzertand Fr	6.80	6.55
n 19	US. \$		
št		2.39	2.34
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### RHA calls for more than 20pc on charges

Members of the Road Haulage Association have ocen told by their vice-chairman that many face bankruptcy unless there is an increase in baulage rates by

Mr Joho Silhermann. speaking io Norwich yesterday, said an increase in prices charged to customers in the region of 20 per cent " is not even adequate to keep us in husiness any longer".

Bankruptcies in the road aulage industry have riseo considerably this year and Mr Silbermann told his members that it may be more sensible in fail financially without wearing out trucks and trailers. "Keep the vebicles in your depois unless the customers are are unless the customers are prepared to pay the right prices",

He told members that it is the uty of bauliers to calculate what price rises are needed to run businesses profitably, and then insist on these prices. "The age-old tendeocy to cut rates must be resisted by all possible means unless we want to see an all-time record of busioess failores in the road haulage Industry.
"What you have to make up

your minds about is whether you want to go out of husinass by loadequate pricing leading to financial failure, at the same time having worked and worn out your rolling stock without purpose, or whether you want to attempt to remain in business on perhaps a modest scale by working on wheo at least the income returns a modest return

lorries—prices of new vehicles bave risen in the past year by between 25 and 100 per cent and interest rates were blamed by Mr Silbermann for pushing up coats even before the latest settlement in the Scottish

of the Environment which will

determine whether or not the Government will provide 53m

to support the development of 15 miles of waterway in south

The scheme bas been under consideration by the DoE for a long time and would in-

volve upgradiog of the Shef-field and South Yorkshire Canal

hetween Doocaster and Rother-bam so that the existing capa-city of the waterway would be expanded to cope with barges of

up to 700 tons as far as Mex-borough, and of 400 tons to

Ever since the BWB's freight services division put forward the idea—which would link with

W German jobless

up 21pc in a month

September.

Bonn, Nov 7.—West Germany's unemployed rose by nearly 21

per cent last month compared

with September, according to figures publiabed today. The total in October was 672,000, or 3 per cent of the total labour force, 115,00 more than in

Key meetings next week on

Crucial meating will take the Humber—it has encountered place next week between difficulties with the DoE. officials of the British Waterways Board and the Department an easing in the official attitude

Yorkshire canal project

### Shipbuilders demand interim policy pending nationalization

The Government bas bean urged to adopt an interim policy which will provide Britain's shipbuilding industry with maximum flexibility in advance of legislation, for extending outionalization to the shipbuilding, ship-repairing and marine engineering industries. In his ioaugural address after taking over as president of the

Shiphuilders and Repairera National Association last night, Mr A. Ross Belch said that the industry found the prospect of operating io a vacuum "pro-foundly disturbing".

The association, be said, accepted that it was unreasonable for a complex piece of legislation to be completed speedily io a congested parliamentary programme, yet it was equally unreasonable to expect the industries concerned to But Mr Belch, managing operate in a state of acute undirector of the 5cott-Lithgow

It was for this reason that the SRNA had appealed to the Government to introduce a satisfactory interim arrangement which would enable management to operate flexibly in a climate uoaffected by the weakening of commercial confidence which continued uncertainty tended to

Leaders of the SRNA will meet Mr Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Industry, on Wedoesday next week to discuss his plans for nationaliza-

SRNA officials are hopeful that they will be able to per-suade Mr Beon at least to consider iocorporating some aspects of their alternative although Mr Benn has so far steadfastly refused even to dis-cuss the alternative atrategy.

that the industry would seek to make nationalization work, pro-vided it was hased on a feasible formula, and he outlined some of the points which the industry will underline at its meeting with Mr Benn next week.

It will emphasize the import-ance of fair and reasonable compensation for shareholders affected by a state takeover, and the oeed for the degree of central control over the iodustry m be minimized so as to preserve the individual identity of companies.

The shipbuilding industry is anxious that the Treasury should not bave excessive con-trolling powers over the development of a national policy for shiphuilding. Senior executives withio the iodustry balieve that given cooperation from all aides, the framework of a policy could be established within

#### Kuwait could increase oil royalties if reductions on posted prices agreed

A drop in the posted price of 90-mioute meeting with King crude oil would not affect the Faisal. government'a because royalties could be increased to make good the difference, Mr Abdulrahman Salem al Atiqi, the Kuwaiti Minister of Finance and Petroleum said yesterday.

Lower posed prices could however appease "the violeot campaign orcbestrated against producing countries," he said during a briefing on ministerial conference of oil producers, due to opeo in Abu Dhabi at the weekend.

Saudi pledge : Saudi Arabia has promised to try to hold the line on oil prices or work for a oominal cut at the the meeting of oil-producing states next month in Vienna.

Mr Omar Saqqaf the foreign minister made the promise to Dr Heory Kissinger, United States Secretary of State after a

and were encouraged last year

by consent to the promotion of

through the work and its snb-

Further support for the board's case for the improvement to the SSYC bas come, it

is understood, from the Central Policy Review Staff. Impressed

by the board's case, the Govern-

ment's "think tank" officials are believed to be preparing a paper for submission to the

When the scheme was first

mooted the cost was put at about £2.4m and this has now

been upgraded to at least £3m. Meanwhile, blacking of the

October car output

21pc below year ago

Eritain's motor industry produced an estimated 124,000 cars

and 35,000 commercial vehicles

during the first four weeks in October, the Department of Industry said yesterday. During the same four weeks in 1973

car output was 21 per cent higher at 156,718.

1973

3,732,384

780,838

448,490

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2.94

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sequent enactment.

Cabinet

the Barge Aboard Catamaran BACAT operation by dockers (BACAT) service operating from at Hull continues.

DOWDING SMILLS

ANOTHER YEAR

SALES & PROFITS

Following the increased interim

total for the year of 20.446%

The A.G.M. will be held at the

at 12.30 pm on Monday,

Hill, Birmingham B120JJ.

2nd December 1974.

Chamber of Commerce, Birmingham

Copies of the Report and Accounts

may be obtained from the Secretary,

dowding & Mills

at the Registered Office, 193 Camp

acquisition rose by 41.2% and profits

payment the Directors recommend a

5,269,722

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Final Dividend of 11.536% making a

Group turnover including new

OF RECORD

before tax by 30.4%.

against 19.60%.

Profit before tax

Prnfit efter tax

Pence per share

Net dividends

Earnings after tax

parliamentary Bill to carry

Dr Kissinger, leaving for Jordan, expressed his "gratification" with Mr Saqqaf's statement that Saudi Arabia "will continue to work for lowering prices" at the Organization of

Petroleum Exporting Countries meeting io mid-December. The Shah of Iran told Dr Kissinger earlier that he would try to bold the line on prices. In the view of some analysts, this would amount to a cut io rate of worldwide inflation. -AP-Dow Jones

OPEC bank: In Caracas, Vene-zuelan investment fund officials said members of OPEC were atudying the possibility of setting up an international bank to channel their financial resources.

Mr Carlos Guillermo Raugel, preaident of the fund which was

Bank economist

sounds warning

against reflation

A warning was souoded by Mr William Manser, a leading economist, yesterday that this

would be the worst time in the past 30 years for the Govern-

A vast programme of oew state expenditure would be reflation in itself, he says, in the National Westminster Bank's quarterly review.

Mr Manser, economic adviser to a London merchant bank and

a former international relations

chief of the British Iroo and Steel Federation, gives a grim warning on the dangers of a world recession.

"Faced with an oil deficit

which cannot be paid for on current account, which cannot

effectively be financed on the international markets and

international markets and which, even if it could be con-

verted into debt, could not then be repaid, governments will come under strong pressure simply to reduce the level of economic activity."

The way out was simple

enough. A rational structure of

oil and raw material prices should be built at levels which could be absorbed without

major dislocation. The surplus

Italy's inflation

highest in EEC

Brussels, Nov 7.-Italian con-

nomic Community, according to

statistics issued today by the

EC commission.
Seasooally adjuated unemployment was down 4 per cent in August at 999,600. This was

the only decline registered in

On a year-to-year basis, Ire-land's consumer prices abowed the next highest increase at 17.9

per cent in September. Den-mark's rose 16.6 per cent, Britain's 15.8 per cent, Bel-gium's 15.6 per cent, France's 14.7 per cant, Luxembourg's 10.6 per cent, Holland's 10.3 per

cent and West Germany's 7.3

per cent.
West Germany's September unemoloyment rose 131.7 per

cent in a year to a seasonally adjusted 716.300, topped only by Denmark with a 144.7 per cent

rise to 58,000.

In the Netherlands, ucemployment totalled 152,800 in

september, an increase of 32.1

per cent in a year, followed by Britain with a 20.2 par cent rise to 683,700.—AP-Dow Jones.

the Community.

ment to reflate the economy.

said his country was to invite the Shab of Iran and Kiog Faisal to Caracas early next year for talks on problems affecting oil-producing coun-

Planning ministry officials Planning ministry officials said Venezuelan participation in an OPEC bank would show the country's goodwill towarda Industrialized countries. and would demonstrata Venezuela was not using petroleum as a political weapon.—Reuter. Sea concessinns: The

Norwegian government's decision on new concessions in the North Sea is likely to be aonounced next week, our Osln correspondent writes. Of the 32 blocks open for tenders in July last year, only fiva are likely to be granted at this occasion, Noroil, the Norwegian oil magazine says.

#### Backlog of patents applications is new fear

A mountain of unexamined patent applications may arise if proposals put forward m a working party now engaged in organizing the future European Patent Office is adopted.

Seven working parties are already engaged in organizing all aspects of the EPO to be built io Munich. Among their duties are patent searching and examination procedures and ataff matters auch as training. At a receot meeting coocern was expressed over the number of European countries that will ask for EPO work to be subcontracted m them and the

amouot of work they will seek. The protocol oo centralizatioo permits op to 40 per cent of Munich work to be subcontracted and many of the national patent offices in Europe are this percentage for themselves as possible.

This they are as a means of keeping national offices intact and their existing staff employed if future patent appli-cations are lodged in Munich rather than nationally.

It is feared that the total amount requested by national offices will exceed tha 40 per cent maximum. Accordingly one proposal is that as large a back-log of unexamined pateot applications as is acceptable should be allowed to accumulate in some national offices hetween now and the Munich opening in

The Britiab Patent Office has a backlog of over 50,000 un-examined applications, which usually means in practice a delay of at least a year before any new patent application is examined. This delay is a continual burden to industry and any further increase would be

#### BSC warns strikers of threat to 9,000 jobs

Correspondent

The 1,600 craftsmen whose strike has caused the shutdown of all steelmaking operations at the British Steel Corporation's £22m plant at Llaowern, near Newport, South Wales, are to meet today. It seems likely that they will vote to continue their week-long stoppage over a bonus dispute. If they do, lay-offs are certain to begin immediately among 4,500 other manual workers. manual workers.

The crucial meeting is being held against the background of a strongly worded warning in a letter sent out by the BSC to proposals each of the strikers, saying that a prolonged sbutdown would put the jobs of all 9,000 em-ployees at Llanwern in jeo-

protests

strikers who were on picket duty at the plant. Shipyard talks: Strikers at two

leading shipyards, where all production has been at a standstill for the past three weeks with nearly 12,000 workers idle, are to meet today to discuss moves that could lead to settlement of their pay disputes.

At the Vickers shipyards and engineering works at Barrow in Furness, the 2,300 ancillary workers who are on strike, with the rest of the 7,000strong manual labour force laid off, will vote by ballot on pay

At the Cammell Laird yard on Merseyside, also balted by a strike of 2,300 workers from the fitting out trades with 2,000 The letter brought angry sentatives will meet the manage-protests yesterday from ment

tic hopes that Japan would emerge with a bealthier trade balance at the end of the year.

5etting out the reasons for its pessimistic predictions, the council pointed out that while

Japanese businessmen bad admittedly stepped up export

drives during the year the rising prices of oil and other imported

### Year-end Japanese trade gap of \$5,000m forecast

revenues of primary suppliers should be used in buying goods, services and acquiring long-term assets, he argues. One of Japan's leading economic research institutes, the Japan Fnreign Trade Council, predicted today that the country would wind up the current fin-ancial year with a deficit of \$5,000m (about £2,121m) in ber trade balance. During the pre-vious fiscal year the trade defi-cit was \$5,327m. in September compared with a year before—the highest inflation rate in the European Eco-

According to the council's rough estimates, exports are expected to amount to \$58,000m and imports to \$63,000m March next year. This would represent a 46.1 per cent increase in exports and a 40.2 per cent rise in imports over the

year before. The council's predictions today undermine more optimis-

Trust Company.

off during the second half of the year. Franklin Bank takover agreed

Washington, Nov 7.—The Justice Department bas indi-Beer in Britain is more cated it would have no objec-European countries. A survey publishad yesterday in the Brewers' Society's official journal examines beer taxes in tion on anti-trust grounds to the acquisition of the Fraoklin National Baok of New York by European-American Bank and eight countries.

The bank was declared insolvent before it was purchased last month by the European-American Bank and Trust Company of New York, which is jointly owned by six European banking institutions.—AP-Dow Jones.

### raw materials were seriously eroding the country's foreign exchange earnings. While earlier and more optimistic predictions were based on the fact that export earnings shot up sharply during the first half of the current fiscal year, the council said shipments abroad were likely to slacken

#### UK beer most heavily taxed

heavily taxed than in most other

It finds that although the sell-ing price of beer ia lower than io any of the couotries studied, the tax at 27.9 per cent of selling price is bigher than anywhare except the Irish Republic. The lowest percentage tax, at 13.4, is paid in Italy.

### Shipping chief predicts cheaper oil

at the yard of A. G. Weser in Bremen vesterday (Thursday) Europe's largest tanker, the 386,000-ton Ioannis Colocutronis, took to the water amid perhaps more good wishes from the assembled company of interoational banking, sbipping, and oil meo thao has been usual oo such occasions io receot yeara.

The world today is a very different one from that in which the London-Greek Colocotronis Group, exercising it seemed, the shrewdness and flair that has carried it from a one ship to a 70 ship fleet in 10 years, ordered the loannis Colocotronis and a sister ship two years ago.

Tanker rates were rising so
fast that Mr Hilmar Reksten, the
Norwegian shipping magnate,
was chartering sbips at spot
rates that would soon pay the entire cost of a new supertanker

It seemed a distinct coup by

At the yard of A. G. Weser pair of a new class of supertankera at a fixed price of \$60m each with one of Europe's best yards.
Withio the past month, in a

move that sent a sbudder through the industry, four giant 420,000-tonners to be built for Hilmar Reksten by Norway'a Akers Group were cancelled.

Spot rates have tumbled from more than World scale 400 to more than World scale 400 to under 100, and with an impending glut of tanker tonnaga for years ahead in some experts views, yards as well as owners are anxious to unload themselves of orders already placed. But Mr Minos Colocotronis, 54-year-old head of the group, remains remarkably sanguine with one hig reservation.

The reservation is tha Arabs and Israel. Annther conflagration is possible in the next year and even in the next It seemed a distinct coup by month. If that happens, it would Colocoronis to book the first he surprising, Mr Colocoronis

thinks, if the Arabs did not use again the weapon thay bave already found so effective, and put the squeeze oo Western powers by curtailing oil yet

With some kind of solution the Arab-Israeli conflict, Mr Colocotronis is optimistic about the future. "We are assessing the situation very carefully at this moment in the light of the food and energy situation, and talks between world leaders. "Oil prices must come down and the financial crisis settled or the world—which is after all the bank whose customers the

Arabs are—will go bust."

On this basis Mr Colocotronis expects world oil consumption, which has been falling in the past year, to resume its former growth of 5-6 per cent a year, but with radically changed pat-

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Controversy over stock appreciation

From Mr P. M. D. Gibbs Sir, At the risk of getting caught in the cross-fire between London and Cambridge I venture to enter the controversy about stock appreciation which was
so vividly described in Peter
Jay's article on November 1.
The first point m emphasize
is that although the accounting

profit may be numerically equal to the stock appreciation (as in output period 2 in Godley and Wood's example) it cannot be caused by stock appreciation because accountants do not enter atock values above cost. Higher closing stock values, re-flecting a rise in unit costs, merely offact some of the bigher cost purchases which bave already been charged to the orofic and loss account. This point is not at issue. The debate s over whether some or all of the resulting stock appreciation should be deducted from the published profit io order to arrive at the "real" profit arrive at the "real" profit which ahould ideally form the basis of pricing, taxation and dividend policies.

The conundrum posed by Godley and Wood can be exas follows: if atock appreciation does not represent real profit how is it that the company in the above example could sell off its stocks, repay its overdrafts and eod up with a surplus of £30? The anawer lies in their cboice of an example in which the stock is entirely financed by borrowed

Profit can be regarded as the difference between the net worth of the company at the beginning and end of the period, plus any taxes and dividends paid out. In the example in questing the initial net worth is 100 stock less £100 overdraft. One presumes that there was general inflation of 30 per cent during the period since we are told that the example represents the corporate sector as a wbole. Thus £100 at the beginning of the period bas the same pur-chasing power as £130 at the end of the period and the initial net worth can be rewritten in terms of end of period E's as £130 atock less £130 overdraft. Comparing this with the actual closing ner worth of £130 stock less £100 overdraft (subject to taxes and dividends) abows that there has indeed heen a real gain of £30 but this is due to the gmin on the monetary liabilities. the company pays out the whole £30 gair in taxes and dividends it will have to borrow another f30 but this can scarcely be bailed as a "liquidity crisis" since it will merely be restoring the real level of its borrowing

to the value at the beginning of

the period. The problem gers more complicated if we take the example a stage further and make the alternative assump-tion that, although the com-pany's stock prices bave riseo by 30 per cent, there was no general inflation. There is then no gain on the monetary liabili-ties. If the company continues in business, it has exactly what it started with, say 100 tins of baked beans less an overdraft of £100. 50 looking at it as a continuing entity it can be said to bave made no profit and it will bave to borrow an extra £30 (this time a real addition to Its borrowing) if it pays out its £30 dends. But if it closes down it could realize £30 more from its baked beans than it started

The two possible answers during a period when there is a marked difference between the rate of cost increases experi enced by the company and the general rate of inflation illustrete the different approaches to slock appreciation of the replacement cost (RC) of the replacement cost (NC)
and current purchasing power
(CPP) schools of inflation
accounting. The RC advocates
would always deduct the actual
stock appreciation in arriving at
real profits. The CPP school
would deduct stock appreciation
collegisted in accordance with calculated in accordance with the retail price index.

The conclusioo is accounting is an inexact art but, as Keynes is believed to bave said, "it is better to be vaguely right than precisely wroog." With inflation running at 20 per cent pa, thera is an overwhelming case for basing both taxation and pricing policy on some estimate of companies' real profits. This will involve real profits. This will involve making an adjustment for stock appreciation, either based on a general index or on the com-pany's own rate of cost in-creases. Deducting stock ap-preciation is, however, only preciation is, however, only one of the three main planks of inflation accounting, the other ones being the increase in the depreciation charge and the gain or loss (usually a substautial gain) on the net monetary position. Making only two of these adjustments without the third, as was done in the famous Mettett and Sykes article on the "financial doomsday machine". may show a realistic picture of corporata liquidity but gives an unduly pessimistic picture of

profitability.
Youra faithfully, MARTIN GIBBS, Phillins & Drew,

Lee House, London Wall, Loodon EC27 5AP November 4.

From Mr F. Roy Coad

Sir, Despite Mr Peter Jay's warnings, might one of the least of his craft, in the shape of a rank and file chartered accountant, venture into the combat area of the battle fleets; but only to register a little professional chagrin?

For years, Sir, the conventions of my profession have been under fire from those same battle fleets. The accounts we produced inadequate, dangerous and misleading; or so the academic experts assured us. For years we stuck to our guns: but at length, demoralized, we struck flag and surrendered. The big brass of the profession, united in this if onthing else, strictly and solemnly ordered us to adopt inflating accounting. under pain of dishonourable

Now, Sir. within months of that surrender, after our demoralization at the hands of Professors Merrett and Sykes and many another, here comes a prestiginus study from Messrs Wynne Godley and Adrian Wood of Cambridge University—and with all the prestige of that ancient centre of learning they prove that we were right after all—and do it, moreover, by means of what is (pace Mr Jay) a piece of elementary accountancy within the capacity of a first year

Perhaps I should quit the combat area: but before doing so may I express the hope that with. So in this sense it could one minor good may come out be regarded as having made a of this affair? That is that our real gain of £30 from trading.

recover their true uniform from the second-hand stor-put off their cook's garmer and forget the long series cookery lessons which the have been giving us in rec-years (and which began, if 1 memnry serves me correct wheo they first instructed m show in our accounts, in the tax which bad actual been suffered, but the which might have been if fered under bypotheses A. and C).
Who knows, they might a

ler our balance sheets serve purpose for which nature tended them, instead of it ing them all things to all it and devise more autable st ments for other purposes. (In passing, are not the fleets engaged oo differ courses? Messrs Godley Wood have in their sights individual enterprise ocorporate sector treated as firm "—which has begin and end of days: the two fessors, the economy po and continuing, which, for purpose, like Melchizedek, neither.) Yours faithfully.

18 Kings Avenue, Carshalton, Surrey, SM5 4NX.

From Mr K. G. Hodgson Sir, There saems to be at one gaping hole in the Go by Peter Jay on November 1 He says "if taxes ramitted on stock app ation . . . the company in example would be able liquidate itself at the en the second period for mare worth ito the exteot of than it could at the end of first period".

Sioce there bas been 30 cent inflation in period the net worth of the com has not increased by 30 cent in money terms i beeo consuming part of its assets in paying for purch wages, tax and dividends

The increase in money of stocks is just one of accounting. The money val priations for depreci need to be increased o wise there will be no reson for replacing normal of assets. The real weakness of Ta

is that it statisticises a dyn aituation, and does so is artificial manner that con the issue. For example, has been an increase to of purchases, aver over the second period, to per cent but this has not price of sales.

One of the reasons for industrial investment in past decade is that man false impression about the of money given by the ta and accountants. The real cost of born

money to buy plant io ac tionary period is, roughly interest on money aonual inflatico multiplie (1-tax rate). For examp interest is 15 per ceot.

atinn 10 per cent, and ta per cent, the real cost is p.z. Yours faithfully,

K. G. HODGSON, Oak End, Tye Green Village.

### Learning from Russia in alumina outp

From Mr D. L. Levi

Sir, There are probably few instances in which Russian in-dustry is ahead technically of its western counterparts, but this appears to be the case in the production of alumina for use in aluminium smelting.

Russian practice in this key industry differs from that employed elsewhere, end has advantages which make it especially suitable for adoption in the United Kindows the United Kingdom.

Whereas the mineral source for western alumina produc-tion is beuxite, the Russian industry is based to a large extent on silicate minerals, especially nepbeline. This seemingly micor difference in raw material preference has important economic conse-quences, which western pro-ducers have failed to appreciate.

Bauxite has long been used as a source of alumina because its processing is simpler than that of silicate ores. But the latter, since they give rise to a by-product which is cheaply converted to cement, can atill bave a decisive economic advan-If, for example, alumina was

made in this country from available silicate ores (colliery shales), apart from lowering the cost of alumina itself, the cost of producing cemen: would be reduced by 20 per cent, and the fuel requirement for cement production reduced by 50 per cent. If all alumina now used in

if an approximate now used in smelting was made in this way, the annual fuel saving in coment manufacture would be one million tons of coal or one mailion tons of coal or coal-equivalent, and with other changes of practice the fuel saving could reach four million tons a year; while, in addition m saving fuel and providing cheaper cement for domestic use, it would create new opportunities for the export of cement, and further beoefit the balance of trade by replacing alumina imports costing £35m a year. ing alumina £35m ayear.

The traditional use of bauxme for alumina production is also open m objection as being wasteful of mineral resources. Most bauxites contain a high proportion of iron which is lost in processing, and remains as a waste product having no Michael Baily industrial use.

This may not have mattered

when it occurred oo a small mina scale in the nineteenth cen- linked with cement man tury, but the effective destructure and based on indige tion of an important source of minerals, should therefor iron nre is now undesirable. and also unnecessary—since both aluminium and iron can be extracted from bauxite if current processing methods are changed.

If shale is made the aluminium industry's base material, this will open the way to a more pruductive use of bauxite itself, as benefiting both bauxite-producing countries, and also the United Kingdom, which has potentially valuable which has potentially valuable bauxite resources not used by the aluminium industry. The establishment of an alu-

regarded as an ess national interest, able to vide important economic fits as well as to guareote supply of feed material fo aluminium smelters at imum cost; and since oo cial technical difficulty it volved in the undertaking could be effected, and all ports of alumina phased within a few years. Yours faithfully, D. L. LEVI.

Clarion Research Associates
29 Polstead Road,

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### TRAFFORD PARK **ESTATES LIMITED**

**Extracts from the Accounts** and the Statement by the Chairman, Mr. N. G. Westbrook,

presented at the Annual General Meeting held in Manchester on 6th November, 1974.

Year ended 30th June Profit before Interest and Tax £992,473 £845,12 Interest payable £450,272 £294,06 **Taxation** £ 65,988 £ 93,13 Retained Profits £318,252 £155,562 (1974 including £252,285 from non-distributable reserve being profit on aala of proparty) Earnings per share 5.48p Net dividend per share 2.77p

Tha standstill on business rent increases is preventing the collection of additional rentals already agreed, amounting to over £20,000 par annum.

Notwithstanding the changed outlook for property development, the Company has a rising rental income which provides a sound basis for the future.

Dua to agreements reached with major customars lha Warehousing Subsidiary should be able to increase its contribution to the group profits.

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#### BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

### Penalties of sales growth at Boots

of Mr Healey's briefcasa esday next. This has not ted soma lively action in ares, which went sbarply versa prior to anoouncef the half-year figures and on down thereafter to he day 14p off at 117p. Il though it is, the 4.8 per eduction pre-tax for the Debenhams

onths to end-Saptember a significant break in the profits pattern; and the er cent incresse in sales— er more than one third" eoting real volume-from it was geoarated has inly provoked unfavourable risons with British Heme and Motharcare. fact is that Boots has been

flat out for sales growth, both eyes directed more on the competition than effects of rising costs on margins. On the strength October sales figures— frer an acceleration from 20 per cent it the rate of ise between the first and i quarters of the year-oup reckons to he achievts objectives, while the ig the group better to rising costs and ro cope the margins control which nitted to have affected the

half profits.
s the possible changes in however, which pose the hreat to Boots' second-half rmance, with an estimated r cent of its retail sales

ng to "luxury"—and r margin—goods. things heing equal, how-the group is looking for nprovement in its second performance (as against first half), which should pre-tax profits for the of et least £62m (as against m). Thet puts the shares maximum prospective PE of just over 7, which looks e 100 pessimistic, although ospective yield of under 6 nothing to recommend it. rim: 1974 (1973) tnlization £208.4m

s £235m (£198h) tax profits £26.4m (£27.8m) dend gross 2.43p (2.19p)

#### cicing oblems

al Dutch/Sbell's margins
bil treding outside North
bica were 15 cents down to
d \$1 a barrel in the third
er and if stock profit a
cluded the margin balves

And Worse cents a barrel. This, it could diseppear altorunless the October 1 hike 'EC crude costs is compen-

ere is no certainty that will be granted in anything full measure in Europe. there is certain to be a downturn in fourth-quararnings as compared to the

by price rises.

quarter, ding back the £52m provimade in the second quarter st ouclear losses, the three ers of this year have all aced around £300m of net oe. But this was while price ases could be passed on relative ease. Not only controls but consumer tance to higher prices is a continuance of that tion highly unlikely in the

rtunately North America, inting for around 26 per of third quarter net income, ins a free and buovant marind something to fall back bough of chemicals and gas hably around £70m of third ter income—chemicals' contion is likely to weaken. rtheless, the prospective ario cannot be much above 157p, and Shell's recent indicates a domestic loss of the Dividend gross nil (1p)

ie immediate future the price firmness indicates that the order of £700,000 for the third price is already discounting a further squeeze on European margins. The yield is 7.3 per

cent.
Third quarter: 1974 (1973) Capitalization\* £867m Sales, £3,571m (£1,765m) Net income £304m (£167m)

### Mixed views

Debenhams' comparatively firm sbare price during the past waek or so was due to market hiots of a etrong recovery in trading profits next year. How-ever, yesterday brought matters into perapective. Interim pro-fits alumping from £5.2m to a mere £112,000, and this after some £592,000 of property

Faced with net borrowings in February of £58m and a sluggisb retail scene, a substantial price-cutting programme was instituted at a cost m profits of £2m. This has now been confined to slow-moving and highmargin lines, but only after many of the department stores had run at a lnss for much nf the period to mid August. The Caters supermarket group can at a loss with the eccountancy/ computer troubles still non ironed out

Borrowings are still around £45m after allowing for the £6m sale-and-lease back of the Welheck Street site with the possi-hility of a reduction to £35m by the year end-if further property sales are transacted. Against this, atock turn and costs have substantially improved and the first benefits of the store refurbishment pro-gramme are coming through.

The most significant factor, perhaps, is that the interim divi-dend is beld. This may have favourable implications for the foll year, and infera similar second-balf profits to last year and thus profits of £6m.£7m (£10.8m). At 31p, down 4p, the shares with a possible yield of 19½ per cent, are not taking an enthusiastic view of recovery chances. Perbaps that makes them one of the better gambles in the retail sector? Interim 1974-75 (1973-74) Capitalization £24.7m Sales £117m (£107m)

Pre-tax profits £0.11m (£5.20m) Dividend gross 2.12p (2.12p)

drunk stockmarket, but Hoover managed it yesterday. A £4m dive io pre-tax profits for the third quarter was accompanied by the scratching of heads and the screping of slide rules throughout the City's research units where earlier estimates were shown to be widely overoptimistic.

Hoover placed industrial disruption at the bottom of its list of culprits. Plant shutdowns at Cambuslang, Lanark-shire, and Merthyr, South Wales, only affected the final month of the third quarter, not loog enough m inflict more than an estimeted £500,000 loss to profits. The three-dey week, which stars at the top of Hoover's list, is obviously irrelevant m the third quarter, which leaves a seemingly huge pressure on profit margins as

the main culprit.

The extent of the profits collapse in the United Kingdom is alarming. Stripping out Hoover NV and other overseas profits allowing for around £600,000 in interest receipts

It is difficult to work up much enthusiasm for the final quarter. Menagement seems determined to sit the strike out and cost pressures showing few signs of

Against this confusing back-ground most analysts are pitching for £8m or so for the year, for s p/e ratio of around 6. That looks as though it should be vulnerable, but the shares shed only e modest 5p to 120p yes-terday, suggesting few nervous sellers and some more optimis-tic forecasts for 1975.

Third quarter 1974 (1973) Capitalization £28.8m Salcs £32.9m (£29.1m) Pre-tax profits £1.55m (£5.4m)

#### Capital good Different

stories

Process and storage plant makers can earn lots of money if hig contracts are costed pro-perly and labour trouble avoided. Whessoe, Capper-Neill, and Head Wrighson bave learnt this the hard way.

Capper 100k a profits tumble in 1972-73 and allowed Whessoe to barge in with an unsuccessful 47p a share paper bid. Whessoe gave up in June 1973 after the hid went to thhe Monopolies Commission and then saw its profits collapse. But Capper roared ahead and yesterday came news of a 60 per cent rise in first half profits and a 45 per cent jump in turnover.

Up went the interim dividend and for the year (to next March) Capper expects profits to be a lot higher than the £807,000 made last time. They could be more than £1\rm. Capper Pipe Service is solid

with work until next March at least, and Capper-Neill Inter-national is full-up for nearly two years. No signs of order book softening have been seen; the contracts are now provided with escalator clauses; and business is well spread over oil platforms, oil storage tanks, and plant for the chemical, motor, gas and other industries.
The shares rose from 15 p to

22p in the 10 days before the latest news. The yield is a prospective 16.4 per cent and the p/e ratio only 3. By contrast, Head Wrightson

found inflation and quirks in suppliese of raw materials too much for it in the first balf and. made ner losses of £820,000 against small profits last time. The group did manage a trading profit of 4748,000 but interest charges and exceptional pro-There must be few things capable of sbocking this punch.

the group expects to book £80m of orders in the next year to oext January. It is also making provisious against a con-tract in Argentine; three other overseas contracts that went sour, and the development costs so far of venturing into North

Sea oil equipment.

The gleam of bope is the expectation that second trading profits will be better than the first half's, hut this could still leave it with big after-tax leave it with big after-tax losses. The shares shed 8p to 15p after 39p earlier this year and 774p last year. Their worth now is problematic and we must await the balance sheet for a surer assessment.

Interim: 1974 (1973) Capitalization £2.2m Sales £10.67m (£7.36m) Pre-tax profits

£501,000 (£314,000) Dividend gross 1.79p (1.6p) Head Wrightson Interim: 1974-75 (1973-74) Capitalization £2m Sales £23.7m (£18.7m)

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### Industry's pressing case for an easing of price controls

One of the most fundamental 11 or 2 per cent if controls were and least disputed principles in completely abandoned. and least disputed principles in economics is that you canoot give someone goods which no one else has. However, the principle has been misunderstood for centuries, particularly by governments which beliave that it is possible to make people better off by keeping prices down while pursuing policies which keep outpur Isvels down as well.

The trouble, of course, is that relaxing price cootrols, even if t encourages productivity, has effects on the distribution of income which are conventionally believed to be politically awkward.

In presant circumstances this objection is particularly compelling hecause abolition of price controls would probably raise retail prices and the Government must bave some notion of the level of prica iocreases which is compatible with the social contract.

grown for some allevation of the strains caused by price controls. Even the TUC, in its Budget representations, acknowledged the case for some relief

There are two main arguments for a relaxation of price controls. The first is that it would indeed provide some assistance for the coroorate sector, which is facing severe liouidity and profitability difficulties.

The scale of the potential help plainly depends on the nature of the changes oroposed by the case.

Government. The Confederation of Bripish Industry has said that retail prices would rise by only. Government. The Confederation of British Industry has said that

Other estimates are higher. Phillips and Drew, the stockbrokers, have calculated that the progressive removal of the productivity deduction would result in s 3 per cent increase. The implications for profitability and liquidity are also problematical. The CBI has put forward a figure of £1,500m as

the boous to company profits from a full abolition of price controls. The effects on liquidity are different-because companies would spend more if their profits were higher—hul this would probably imply a raduction in the financial deficit io excess of £1,000m.

The Government must have made similar calculations, not only hecause the sums beve implications for the future level prices, bur also because of their importance to stabilization policy. If the corporate sector's liquidity is bolstared by a relaxation of price controls there will be less need to use fiscal methods for the same end.

There is much room for argument over the precise order of magnitude. The two main difficulties are to distinguish the effect of price controls from the effect of demand conditions and to make some allowance for

One of the reasons for the CBI's fairly low estimate of the impact on retail prices is its helief that industry is facing shrinking markets and that intense competition would have

between companies, not between the company sector and indivi-duals. But relations between companies depend on a certain amount of goodwill, because this helps continuity of supply, and it is unlikely that one company would complain to the Price Commission if a regular supplier

asked a price ebove that war-

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raoted by the legislation. The second main argument for a relaxation is that price controls have resulted in supply shortages and market distortions. By causing unnecessary hottlenecks at various points in the aconomy these bave bad un-favourable effects on productivity.

In the nature of the case. evidence for these assertions is hard m come by. Companies dn not publicize their inability to especially when it reflects a conscious decision not to produce certain items because they are insufficiently profitable.
Equally it is difficult to attribute sopply shortages entirely

to price controls. Other factors. such as shortages of commodi-ties, reflect worldwide con-ditions outside the Government's control, while ordinary supply problems caused by labour dispules bave been unusually rious in 1974.

Furthermore, the temptation to break the code when a supply sbortage is pressing is clearly difficult to resist. One of the more remarkable, but little men-tioned, sections in the Price Commissioo's sixth report for

provisious.

About a quarter of the eoterprises inspected were exceeding their reference levels.

Evasion among small companies must he extensive. In relation to the overall economy, savings of £11m are, of course, miniscule. But there is another point If small companies are breaking the code at will, supply shortages arising from the rightous application of the controls to large companies are probably also being removed fairly easily.

This is not to say that the Price Code is not causing distortions. The transfer of business from large to small firms is itself a distortion. But it can said that no firm or reliable avidence is available of the scale or character of the distortions and it is, therefore, unlikely that changes in Phase Fnur will he even in part adjusted for their supposed

The Government's real worry of profitability and much impaired liquidity which have at least in part heeo caused by price cootrols seem likely to threaten investment in 1975. Some compensating incentives to investment are needed to restore capital spending to what

are deemed to he adequate The two main changes expected, are designed to meet this problem. The first is the relaxation of the productivity

three companies to see if thay ing on in prices all of the in-were abiding by the Price Code's crease in costs caused by higher wages. The reasoning behind it is that companies would normally accomplish some productivity advance and that, therefore, it would be unduly generous to allow companies to raise prices by 10 per cent if

wages rose hy 10 per cent. . This is all right if productivity is rising quickly, as in the boom year of 1973. But it is extremely hersh in the recession conditions of 1974 when productivity is stagnant or, in some industries, even declining.

The second big change will probably be the inclusion of spacial provisions for companies which are incressing their investment.

The CBI is thought to fevour the inclusion of a fraction of investment expenditure allowable costs. This svoids the problem of definition which always arises when new invest-ment has to be separated from old investment or the rates of return on one factory bave to he compared with the rates of return on another.

The Government may or may not agree. But, if it wera 10 approve the CBI idea, a further infringement of industry's freedom would have taken

If investment decisions, as well as pricing decisions, are heing scrutinized by ao officiel authority, still less scope remains for the individual manager to make up his own

Special investment incentives like this would also discrimi nate against low growth, low iovestment industries.

Tim Congdon

### Bidding for a change of attitude on meat marketing

Britain's largest fresh meat commercial elimination of yet wholesaler, first passed from the members of The NFU Development Trust velopment Trust, when shares accepts, however, that the were offered to the public to facilitate the bid for sausage make at FMC will do nothing and pie manufacturers Marsh and Baxter in 1962, there has been precious little love lost between the personalities on either side.

The FMC board, while always prepared to make verbal acknowledgement of the difficulties besetting the livestock producers—particularly in extension of the group's own somewhat erratic profix record—has acted entirely according to its immediate commercial

The NFU Development Trust, publicly disclaiming any wish to interfere with the direction or management of FMC, bas privately been working for an expansion of the group's horizons. Its success has been negligible; and the consequence, iron hand within the velvet glove; with 40.9 per cent of the equity already within its control the Development Trust is bidding for the rest at 65p per share.

The bid took the FMC board entirely by surprise, although the Development Trust has been backing up its verbal persuasion, particularly since the spring of this year, with small-scale bur very persistent share purchases. That the bid should be so com pletely unexpected is a reflec-tion of the gulf between the minds on either side.

To the executives at FMC, attuned to the requirements of what is universally acknow-ledged to be a fiercely competitive ousiness, the objects of the Development Trust—the development of "policies to improve marketing and guide production in the livestock industry "—are woolly to the point of heing totally impractical.

This is a view which is entirely shared by the group's bid, if successful, would almost

Ever since control of FMC, now inevitably be followed by the livestock producers in the shortterm. For that they must rely upon government support or

intervention.

If the bid is successful, farmers are unlikely to see much benefit within the next five years—and even then it will be negligible in cash terms, partly because the middleman's mar-gins in this industry are too small for either side to henefit significantly from their eliminarion, and partly because FMC's estimated 14 per cent share of the United Kingdom-market for fresh beef, and 12 per cent for lamb, leaves it in no position to pay over the odds for its purchases without running into large commercial problems.

It appears that the Developits objectives by persuasion bad received a boost oo the resignation of Sir John Stratton from the chairmanship last year. But his successor, Anson Payne, although at first sight a neutral appointee as the former civil servant who helped to introduce the pig stabilization scheme, has proved to be no more amenable to the Development Trust's argu-

Attempts to tackle the problem through the replacement, over a period, of board members by NFU appointees, would have involved the ahandonment of several executives whose expertise the Development Trust values highly. So it has in fact taken the only step available to hring the impasse ro an end.

This being the case the price

which it has offered looks too low. Even on purely commercial grounds a bid capitalizing FMC at £6.5m, as against last year's pre-tax profits of £3.2m, is our ever-generous, although FMC's profits trend is, as the board has previously admitted, liable to sudden and dramatic change.

inevitably be followed by the however, says that it not iotroduction of longer-term concommercial elimination of yet only could but would run tracts will smooth out the worst another major meat wholesaler. FMC on a commercial footing, affects of excesses in supply and bevelopment. Trust making sufficient profit to serto fund the acquisition and to an ettemput to introduce provide finance for future exlonger term contracts the board of FMC will pass little comto the principal object of the hid, which is to provide the

> own ideas on the future of the United Kingdom livestock industry. majority of cattle and sheep in this country are produced on an ad hoc hasis, and are sent for slaughter when the state of the market or the farmer's own

Development Trust with an opportunity to implement its

the market or the farmer's own cash flow position dictates a sale. The Development Trust wants to extend to this section of the livestock industry the system of production and sale according to long-term contracts which is alreedy widespread amongst pig producers. Pigs lend themselves a good deal more readily to standardization by weight and quality. in effect to factory farming—than do cattle and sheep. The Development Trust, however, reckons that over a period of reckons that over a period of about years it will be possible to iron current

On the beneficial effects of

ment. But other wholesalers regard the idea with profound cynicism, expecting—on the strength of past experience—dishonoured contracts when the price is not fixed, and bankruptcies when it is. There have, bowever, been it is. There have, bowever, been one or two instances of successful contract purchasing by wholesalers—for example, by the farmers' cooperative. North Devon Meat—and the NFU Development Trust claims that it is only the "ultraconservative" character of the trade which prevents the system trade which prevents the system

from spreading.

The arguments of the FMC board, that the group bas successfully weathered extremely years it will be possible to iron current year—during the out the problems and that the remainder of which it expects

"satisfactory" trading condi-On the other hand, the fore-

cast increase in the dividend from just over 13 to 30 per cent gross is backed up by good historic cover and e balance sbeet which shows no undue strain on liquidity. And while the prospective yield of 12.9 per cent, at the bid price, is not exciting enough to prevent e reduction in the shares should the bid be withdrawn, there is little im-mediate likelihood of their declining to the level at which they were before the bid was launched. Moreover, there is some

Moreover, there is some justice in the group's appeal to Its asset backing, although it is, paradoxically, an appeal which could only be fully substantiated in a break-up situation. Sharebolders can reasonebly exact a price for the benefits, other then the purely commerciated. other then the purely commercial ones, which The NFU Deve-lopment Trust expects to derive from full control of FMC.

bid is next Wednesdey; but no one is expecting that the saga will have been brought to an end by theo.

Adrienne-Gleeson

### TOTAL Compagnie Française des Pétroles

INTERIM REPORT The uneudited group results for the six months to 30th June are as Iollows:-

(in		o Juna 1973	
Net turnover		7,999.4	19,540.7
Less: cost of cruda, products sold and	services	5,727.2	10,985.4
Group operating profit		2,272.2	8,555.3
Add : financial incoma		104.5	240.9
Less : finencis I charges	the same contract of the same between	215.2	371.8
Less: amortization and provisions prof (axcaptions) and/er raleting to previous		27.0	110.7
Income before taxes		1,806.7	7,125.9
Less: taxas paid in varioua govarnman	ts and ahare of the	1.285.7	5,909.9
Incoma efter taxes		321.0	1,216.0
Less : minority interests		31.8	257.0
Net income—CFP share		289.2	959.0
Cash flow			
Net incoma		321.0	1,216.0
Amortization and provisions		581.8	1,409.2
		902.8	2,625.2

The evaluation of the Group's inventories on a meeting in Vianna, to further increase crude oil weighted average cost price besis and the adjustments of product retail prices made after the first half of 1974 cruda oil price increases reflected axcaptional increases in cash flow and income. However, not taking into account an estimeted 1.450 million francs increasa, cash flow would ha lowered to 1,175.2 million francs. Similarly, not considering an estimated 960 million francs increasa, nat incoma would be lowered to 256 million francs, including 339 million francs

On the other hand, the increase in inventory value between the 31.12.1973 and the 30.6.1974 can be estimeted, on a constant volume basis, at 2,750 million francs. Therefore, reconstituting inventones at new price level, which is mandatory for both operating end legal reasons, has not only absorbed aggregate axceptional profits made on inventories, but also forces the Group to resort to credit. Actually, these profits did not make up amounts available for financing operating invest-

(CFP's share) and-83 million francs (minority

ments or increasing dividand distribution. These results reflect the inadequate lavel of author-

Cruda Oil Resources

first half of the year amounted to 40.9 million metric tons, compared to 38.2 million metric tons for the 1973 corresponding period. Turnovar

The net turnover for tha first helf of 1974 reached 19,540.7 million frencs (10,336.8 in Franca and 9,203.9 abroad) compared to 7,999.4 million francs for the sama period in 1973, (s 144% increese). Thia progression is due mainly to substantial increases in crude oil prica rates which occurred sinca October 1973.

Compensation in Respect of Nationalisation

The conversion into francs of foreign currency items in CFP's end its sffiliates accounts was made uniformly on the basis of 30 June rates.

ized product retail prices as compared to ectual costs. It ahould ha noted that this gap was of about 37 million francs was enlered in the first worsained whan OPEC decidad, during its last half of 1974 consolidated results.

### ers of the Dorchester Hotel, earlier this year reporting heads and maintenance

exceeded the gross earned, while a costly rhishing programme was y to affect the results of current year as well. But is at band, and it springs the very industry that is ing this drain on the

iere are three McAlpines on board of Development rities, all of them perbaps to frame these plans. They Sir Robert, chairman of the bester, Sir Robin, chairman and Malcolm Hugh, also a

rom the Dorchester's splen ow, in Harrogate yesterday, a representative of a representative of her McAlpine company was ng about the damage some ling workers do 10 themes by their sloppy eating ts—and came up with an that any big botel with trused kitchens might care onsider: packed meals for

truction workers.

nald Evens, chief safety
ser to the Sir Alfred Mcne group (northern), yes-Industrial Safety Officers ereoce, at Harrogate, that problem was not so great on er sites, but on smaller or e extended projects it would eneficial to have something pre-packed army meals.



Bryan Toye, chairman of Toye & Company, military regalia makers since 1685, who now becomes chairman of E. Dent & Company, official chronomater makers to Queen Victoria and the builders of Big Ben—the bigger Ben on the left, that is. The smaller big Ben is a three-foot scale model made by Jack Inglis of Wimbledon.

work outside in bad weather and do not est properly they become much more susceptible to illness'

Medical examinations had revealed that cold weather, inadequate clothing and poor food turned bealthy young men into old men at 50. Evans gave a warning that "unless some radical measures

are taken more than 1.000 men will bave been killed in the construction industry by the time this conference is held in Packed meals from the Dor-

workers axist on sandwiches, tea chester is one way of attracting and heer avery day instead of those huilding workers that are a balanced diet. When men so hard to come by in boom

There is also a second lot of gravy. If what Evans says about workers' health is true, and if reports about some workers' earnings is also true, theo the Dorchester or any other wideawake hotel could offer some hads to a private health scheme to get the lads hack up the

Sales drive

Dick Graves, the former Rolls-Royca sales executive who is now marketing director of more steam inm Jensen sales Graves was one of the motor

Jensen Motors, is trying to put meet Benn next week are

industry's first executives m draw attention to the difficul-nes of selling cars there. More than two years ago he cam-paigned for the then Department of Trade and Industry to investigate the many hidden obstacles facing European cars. He got a sympathetic hearing at that time from the department and little else.

Graves told Business Diary that he was dalighted by the recent Turin Motor Show speech of Sir Raymond Brookes, president of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders. Sir Raymond, who is also chairman of Guest, Keen & Nettlefolds, criticized the onesided attitude which enabled the Japanese to sell large numbers of cars overseas while protecting their bome market with "fine print" restrictions. Graves hopes the SMMT will consult all member

Shipyard line

open up meir market.

companies and mount a cam-

paign to force the Japanese to

Entertainer Roy Castle won a big laugh during his cabaret act at the hiennial dinner of the Shipbuilders' and Repairers' Netional Association in London Pumping up a set of hagpines, Castle observed that the air therein should now be enough

The toke apart, the official will saek to make public owner-ship work, and delagates due to

to last Tony Benn for a fort-

approaching this confrontation with surprising equanimity. The dinner, for example, is usually an informal affair, and

whether tha shipbuilders have either heard or made enough

speeches in months past or are saving themselves for efforts to come, there was little speechifying on this occasion. This is traditionally the event to mark the swansong of the retiring SRNA president, in this case Tom McIver, chairman of

Swan Hunter Group (£13.6m in grants since 1965), who was banding over to Ross Beich,

managiog director of Scott

Lithgow (£9.4m in loans and McIver accordingly confined himself to a few words of welcome to the guest of bonour. Lord Beswick, Minister of State for Industry, who was recipro-catingly brief in reply.

Benn, the architect of the

sbipbuilders' and repairers'

future, was not present, and

although there were no speeches

might figure, both were staples of the table talk. So was the question of who was to be the chairman (shipmen do not like the word chief executive) of Benn's proposed National Shipbuilding Corporation, the choice of whom

is vital to the vanture's success.

Among the names that bave so far cropped up are those of Danny McGarvey, the Boiler-makers Society leader, and of Graham Day, the Canadian brought in to rescue Cammell Laird from sinking. But that particular launching is some

Crude oil volume put at tha Group's disposel for tha

Compansation received or to ba received in respect of netionalisation or participation agreements implamented in the Middle East producing States ware kept in cleaning accounts and are not reflected in the results of tha first half of 1974. Exchange Fluctuation

Consequently, a positive book axchange difference

### Creation of more abundant wealth only way to raise living standards

There is no problem facing this country today that cannot be solved by sound policies and firm leadership. Sound leader- Chairman of V ship its politics, in the trade unions and in the business

We are spending more than we are earning; we are living beyond our means, and if we continue to do so we shall finish up like every profligate—in the bankruptcy courts. But as nations cannot go bankrupt by the very nature of their existence, instead of bankruptcy you have inflation with currency becoming virtually valueless, and then a situation which can only be corrected by the most vicious

is for the leaders in busi-cess, in the trade unions and in politics to make clear that the solution to our problems lies entirely in our own hands. If we go down it will be our own fault. We shall have asked for it. But there is no need to go down.
This country, again I repeat,

given the right policies and sound leadership, could be within a few years the most pros-perous country in Western

course, we will have hiccups in the economy, but over the next 100 years the line of demand will move steadily up. The nations that will go down and fail are the nations that Chairman of Vickers

think that they can live without earning. The nations that will fail will be those whose citizens think that the government of the day has a bottomless purse from which they can provide goodles for all for ever, without the purse being filled.

We are psychological sufferers from our industrial past. The words "wealth" and "profits" ring io the ears of so many people as an obscenity. Some people do not seem to recognize that it is the creation of wealth that enables people to be prosperous and that it is the creation of wealth that coables is called "social justice" to pro-vide for those who are not able to provide for themselves. The only way out of the prob-

lems that we now face is the creation of an even greater abundance of wealth in order to pay the higher commodity prices and permit at the same time an ever increasing standard of

night follows day, that any inter-ruption to the creation of wealth is the most damaging and disas-trous thing that can happen to

Every single strike that takes place makes the economic plight of the country worse. Strikes are self-inflicted wounds from which the oation will slowly bleed to

It seems inconceivable that this nation, that led the world for over 100 years, should roday be crawling around making excuses for the situation in which we find ourselves, instead of facing the facts that we are not producing to time, or to standards, because of our very bad industrial relations. Walking tall will not give eny-body in this nation backache, but failure to perform is going to give a lot of people heart-ache.

Leadership consists of telling the truth however unpleasant and brutal it may be. Leadership consists of identifying the problems and expressing them with simplicity and clarity.

Leadership consists of pro-ducing solutions to the problems and, whatever may be the diffi-culties facing, the carrying out

of pretending that somebow or



yesterday's conference.

away from those that bave it, and give it away to those who haven't that this is a permanent solution to our problems.

Leadership means standing up to the bully boys whether they are in management, trade union, politics or anywhere else: Leadership demands men of honesty, integrity and who are fearless and courageous.

Leadership does not consist of the mean compromise of so many words that cootain double

Leadership, above all, consists of telling the truth, unpalatabla though it may he. It is better to go down with the truth on one's lips, than to rise high by innuendo and double talk.

### Nation must aim at a higher growth rate and better industrial relations

Trade unionists, like other people, look at what is happening abroad. What they see appals them—living standards rising much more rapidly there than in this country.

The basic decision which as nation we have got to make whether we want faster economic expansion and higher living standards, or whether we prefar a relatively quiet exist-

My view and it is the view of most of the people that I represent is that our rate of expansion is and has, for too long been far too low, and that we should collectively address ourselves to improving it sub-

The possession of material goods—and particularly durable consumer goods—is a blessing, not a social curse. They open up to people—the motor car is a particular case in point—whole range of new symptoms. a whole range of new experiences, a whole spectrum of choice. I have little patience with those middle class intellec-tuals who, while themselves enjoying the possession of these goods, preach alarmist sermons on the deterioration of the physical and chloural environ-ment which they cleim will inevitably result from the pro-liferation of motor cars, tran-

Mr Len Murray

General Secretary of the TUC

ing that we can ignore our physical or cultural environ-The fact is that working-class people want better living stanof the proposed planning agree dards. They aspire in particular

to the ownership of coosumer durables, are acquiring them and intend to go on acquiring more. Many of them are in fact frustrated in their ambitions by the incapacity of the British economic system to deliver the You may raise your hands in horror and talk about inflation, in, for example, menning

but the moral of that is that we and particularly you have got to stop concentrating on scaling down the money side of the equation and address our--and particularly yourselves-to increasing the availmore productive capacity and using it more effectively, and it effectively.

The main key to high invest ment itself is steady growth and an assurance of demend. But if investment is to have maximum effectiveness, if we are not to waste resources, it is

I am not for the moment say- plain common sense for companies to know, in broad terms what others suppliers and cus-tomers are doing. This I take to be one of the main purposes

It is obviously desirable in my view that union representatives should be involved in investment decisions, not only so that they can offer advice based on their own experience but, perthey can more effectively win the agreement of those they represent to consequential changes that may be neces-

arrangements. It is quite wrong to think of British workers as being unwill-ing to change, static, immobile. The record shows that this is quite untrue.

Change itself is bound to be disturbing, is bound to bring arguments. It is hardly a matter for surprise that employees should not always see eye to eye with employers when it comes to deciding who gets what pro-portion of the product.

try, with different interests, and

some of the speeches at the annual conference of the Institute of Directors held in London yesterday. The speakers included Sir Derek Pricchard, president of the institute; London to the institute; London to the institute; London to the institute; London to the institute. Robens, chairman of Vickers Mr Len Murray, general secre-tary of the TUC; M Michel Jobert, the Tot; M. Michel-Jobert, the former French For-eign Minister; Mrs Margare Thatcher, shadow Emvironment Secretary; Mr Alistair Cooke the author, journalist and broad-caster; and Sir Richard Powell; the institute's director-general.

flage that fact. I am not for a moment saying that there are no areas in which we cannot no areas in which we cannot find common agreement. Of course there are—notably io increasing productivity and profitability—but when it comes to sharing out the results then interests do differ.

In practice the overwhelming majority of those arguments are settled peacefully: strikes

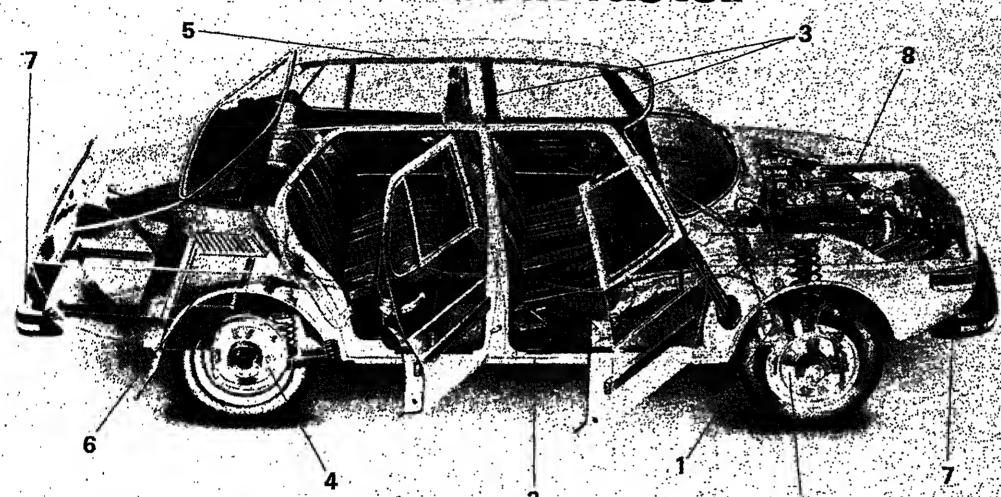
are settled peacefully: strikes are very much the exception, not the rule. It is plain common sense from everybody's point of view to reduce days lost from industrial disputes.

Part of the solution lies in establishing more sensible pro-

cedures in industry. So the primary aim must always be to prevent arguments from escalating into disputes.

We want to see major decisions made by matuel agreement instead of managements trying to impose them on people who, because they on people who because resent being imposed

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### State control no cure for our economic ills

Mrs Margaret Thatcher

Shadow Environment Secretary

We face demands for the restructuring of industry, a phrase we have beard many times during the recent debates in Parliament. The present difficulties in which many com-panies find themselves are un-doubtedly being used by left-wing groups to justify a further measure of state control.

Little attempt is made to analyse either the cause of the problems or to consider the administrative difficulties at the government end if ever-increas-ing divies and decisions are

formally placed on ministers. First, in a period of rising raw material costs, rising wages and salaries, and rising over-beads, companies under the present price code have not been able to recover enough in prices to finance their requirements.

Borrowing is not the answer, especially if the profits are in-adequate to finance it at today's high interest rates. It is no good having the kind of price code which runs hitherto flourishing businesses into cash flow problems.

Second, our system of accounting was devised for times when the value of money was relatively stable. When raw material costs are rising the increased cost of replacing stock used up in production is not taken into account in calculating profits for tax purposes.

ing tax on stock appreciation tax which it sometimes cannot

Further, for tax purposes depreciation is allowed only on the historic cost of machinery.

Last year industry paid £2,245m in corporation tax. This year the estimate is £3,265m. There have been various com-meots ir Parliament that industry is asking for money. The reality is that if the Government had not taken so much out, it would not need to put so much

The fact is that we owe in large measure the increase in both individual and collective prosperity since the war to the private enterprise system.

And yet, it has come under coostant political attack. Our political oppotients, whether they are in government or opposition, never cease to preach their beliefs about the economy and the case for more stata con-

trol, while we have too often assumed the case for private enterprise instead of arguing it. The economic wellbeing and standard of living of the country depend largely on the perform-

lippe that within the coming few years, with or without legistlation, companies will do everything possible to ensure that employees at every level feel themselves a part of the company, and identify themselves with it success. Some companies have already made excellent progress to this

been pushed by politicians but because it is good for the company, it people, and therefore

#### Productivity and the will to work can beat inflation

Pritchard

President of the Institute

What Britain needs most of all now is for government, management and the nmons to hanmer out e policy that would build a new Britain based on the one thing that can really beat inflation—not by increased taxation, not by decreased profits, not by decreased wages, but by increased productivity.

It is productivity the will to

It is productivity, the will to work, and to take the responsibility for what one does, that can beat inflation quicker than

I now come to my message to the Chancellor. How can we obtain the productivity we need to beat inflation? One of the major causes of Britain's apathy about our financial and economic situation—virtually bottom of the Europeas league in terms of productivity—is lack of incentive.

it is people who make industry successful or misuccessful. Industry must be allowed to earn and retain genuine profits. This is the only way industry can have the cash to plough back into investment in the

can have the cash to plough back into investment in the company for the future benefit of the country, its workers and its shareholders.

Any worker, be be director, white or blue collar, must be enabled to retain a sufficient proportion of his earnings to make it worthwhile to work overtime; to worty; to carry the responsibility.

Productivity is the key to the beating of inflation and incentive—cash incentive for everyone—is the key to productivity.

We need common sense not slogans, sensible profits not more loans, doe reward for responsibility and doing a good job and, above all, a sense of realism that inflation is the common enemy of every one of us and we can only beat it, if we staod shoulder to shoulder together.

#### Five simple truths for the men in Whitehall

Sir Richard Powell

Director-General of the Institute

I think I am perhaps entitled to give those in Whitehall who make the rules my own list of musts" if we are to ensure Britain's prosperity as an industrial nation. And who can deny these five simple truths? One: Let the man half-way up the ladder of success press his way upward unweighted by exorbitant tax demands. And let the man already at the top hang

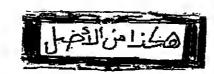
on to a bit more of what be earns. Let it be realized that a too fierce rate of taxation is counter-productive—no man will work to his utmost unless he is offered some sort of a carrot.

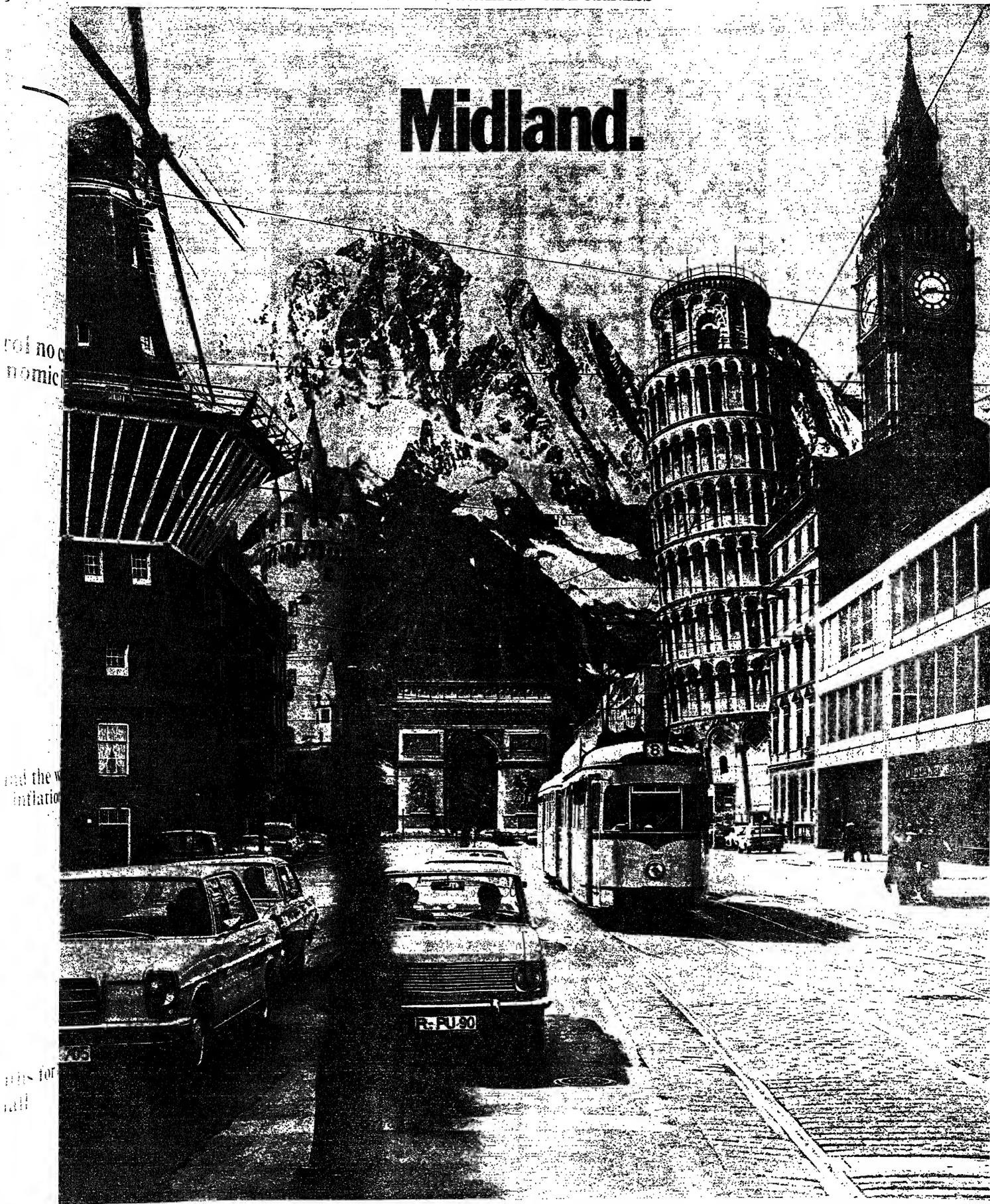
Two: And it's an old saw-no one, not even the Russians, has yet succeeded in making the poor rich by making the rich poor. The socialists seem to forpoor. The socialists seem to for down and down, and the prices get that you've got to create they charge os for them seem to go up and up with almost equal it and the only way to create rapidity.

Three: Freedom is not only political. It is also, and essentially, economic. It rests now, it always has and it always will, on the private ownership of property and business throughout the world.

Four: The concert of feet Four: The concept of free en-terprise has changed with a changing world. Today, free en-terprise means business that is

abreast of the new management techniques; that is awake to the discoveries of science; that rewards talent and inventiveness wards talent and inventiveness and brains, regardless of background and social standing; and is deeply aware of its duty to the community as well as to its shareholders and its employees. And fifth: That where there's free enterprise, there's fair and honest competition — competition that keeps quality up and prices down—unlike a good many of our nationalized concerns—their losses a burden to cerns—their losses a burden to us all, where the quality of the services they offer seems to go





As a whole, Western Europe is a place with imitless business possibilities.
But it's also a number of very different preign countries which tends to complicate hings a bit.

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That's why the arrangements we've made re going to prove very useful to you.

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Why don't you go to your Midland branch and talk to the manager about it?



### Wolseley-Hughes slide from crest as snags persist to the end

By Ashley Druker
The spread of factors harassing Wolseley-Hughes at midway, when profits went into reverse from £2.23m 10 £1.7m, appear to have held the upper

The final outcome is a drop from £4.32m to £3.28m pre-tax. Turoover, however, held up with an increase from £48.42m to £56.3m for the I2 months to July 31. The shares were un-changed at 45p yesterday.

In the latter part of the preceding year (when profits were hoisted 57 per cent) it was evi-dent that the rate of advance was beginning to slacken. Troubles with supply of materials, coupled with the energy

set to fight

takeover of

repair yard

In giving an unaudited esti-mate that profits last term rose from £926,000 to £1.15m pre-tax, Mr Christopher Bailey, chair-

man of C. H. Bailey, said the company would "fight all the way" government plans to nationalize Bristol Chaonel Ship

Repairers. But it was pointed out thar less than 50 per cent of

profits came from that company.

could nadonalization improve efficiency or competitiveness; in

fact the reverse was almost cer-

taioly the case. Such a move

would jenpardize the jobs of all

employed in the South Wales

ship repairing industry and it

was hoped the Government

would realize it was in the

country's hest interests to leave

this amall, highly successful and

Commenong on the overall

profits the chairman said they

continued the upward trend of

Margins cut

Trading for the first five months of the year at Parker

compentive yard alone.

Chairmen report

at Parker

Timber

**Aurora Holdings** 

Mr R. Atkiuson says In his annual statement that inflation will continue to have an effect

that there is no serious

deterioration in the economy be looks forward to maintaining

**Inland Revenue** 

Inland Revenue has signed a deal with the Post Office which

will ensure rapid delivery of

mail between its ceotral postal

centre at Kew, Lundon, and

selected regional revenue offices. The contract, for an undisclosed six-figure sum, is the largest ever secured by Datapost, the PO's high speed ser-

vice for business customers.

The service, introduced in 1970 primarily for computer in-

dustry clients, now serves more

than 1,700 customers, including

hanks, building societies, local government and multiple stores.

Rand Selection is paving a final divideud of 40c a share

compared with the forecast of 371c made at the time of the

merger with Schlesinger Insurance and Institutional Holdings

Pretax profits of the South African finance group increased

Another Anglo American

Corporation associate, Zambia Copper Investments has declared a dividend of 4c (U5) on

its income from holdings in the

from R26.5m to R42.4m.

Zambian copper industry.

Rand Selection

final dividend

joins speedy

mail service

of £1.2m before tax.

SLIMMA GROUP

the last six years.

Mr Bailey said that in no way

The preceding year, of course,

was exceptional in that not only was there a high level of activity in new bousing and bome improvement, but also an inflow to the group of the pre-VAT spending spree, apart from ele-ment of buying on fears of inflationary cost increases.
In the year just past trading profit slipped from £4.6m 10

£4.u2m, but sharply higher interest—up from £293,000 to £772,000—further depressed the

pre-tax level.

After extraordinary items, a credit of £60,000 (against a debit of £44,000), the "net"

Faced with the difficult general economic situation and in-flation United City Merchants

continued its growth last term even though as usual the second

half was coosiderably slower. The return was a record £1.82m

net pre-tax, a growth of 30 per

There are no liquidity prob-

lenis, the company says.

Profit was achieved from sales

improved by 54 per cent to £138.7m and second half growth

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crisis—causing costs to rise dropped from £2.37m tn £1.58m, faster than selling prices— while earnings a share were resulted in a midway decline.

The proceeding year of course while earnings a share were flattened to 14.36p, compared with 23.21p. The dividend however rises from 5.77p to 6.05p. As for coping with the challenges in the year ahead, "ex-cellent" relations exist with the company's hankers, with credit facilioes available for contioued

development in the future. Nevertheless, capital expenditure is being carefully scrutin-ized, and efforts conduce to stimulate the group's export potential. In 1972-73 some 21 per cent of manufactured pro-

ducts were exported.

A surplus of £2.92m from a property revaluation has been

per ceot. Oo the market the

sbares closed at 14p, down a

Growth in all fields was in

ternal. At bome the omber

ageocy division has taken ad-

vantage of the favourable situa-

tion in the international trade

and the export division has in-creased substantially its world-

wide overseas shipments. The

international organization of the

group bas helped in this pro-cess of expansion. Total divi-dend is raised from an adjusted

Dodd, Concentric: metals and plastics of difficult year.

#### C. H. Bailey | United City Merchants Concentric recovery hangs fire

By Tooy May
With the second balf producing only £405,000, instead of
the £500,000 haped for by the board, at half time, Coocentric has dropped back from last year's record pre-tax profit of £1.05m to £613,500—abour £708,000 bad heen expected. Mr D. Dodd, the chairman com-ments that the second-half figure is as good as it is thanks to the metals and plastics divi-sions. The engineering side did not recover from the effects of the three-day week as quickly as bad been expected.

as bad been expected.

Turnover is ahead from £14.3m to £16.7m, but trading profits went down from £1.08m to £726,000. Profits available for dividend, etc, have fallen from £647,000 to £276,000, and the dividend is our from £730 to dividend is our from 2.73p to 2.39p gross. Earnings a share

ome out at 1.81p, against 4.05p. At half time, Mr Dodd said that pre-tax profits had shrunk from 1570,000 to £208,000 he-cause of the lower level of acovities in industries supplied by the group, as well as the direct the power and mine

net current assets declined last

year from £902,000 to £569,000,

with the bank overdraft up from £23,000 to £376,000 and

#### of 8! per cent to £887,000 is set 1.25p to 1.34p. Mr Blake leaves CSG

climb to peak £1.8m

point

75p a share for the balance. This price values CS at £2.25m. the purchase. Mr D. Blake, chairman of CS, has resigned from the board following SGB's purchase of his holding and bas waived a second

SGB bas acquired a stake of and recommend shareholders to 56.5 per cent in Contractors' accept. SGB's advisers Klein-Services Group and is to offer wort Benson have arranged a medium-term Ioan to finance

As chief executive of Browo Brothers & Albany Mr Blake came under fire earlier this year interim dividend. The CSG from another member of the board, advised by London & board for the price of more Yorkshire Trust, consider the than £6m paid for a 25 per cent from another member of the offer to he fair and reasonable stake in Henlys.

#### Stock markets

### Rights issue speculation upsets the leaders

opening of the market, with the industrial sections upset by Shell's trading results, and con-sumer stocks by predictions— soon proved correct—that Boots had not fared too well in the first half of the the year.

But a final blow came in the form of persistent rumours during the late afternoon that another major company was about to follow Commercial Union by raising money in the market by way of a rights issue. The rumours remained firmly placed in the land of conjecture, and some sources pointed out that any such move was unlikely ahead of Budget Day. The suc-cess of the Commercial Union rights-the shares become fully paid on Mooday and were quoted yesterday at 7/p, a premium of 17p on the subscription price — undountedly sparked off the rumours.

However, the market gossip was strong enough to lower shares in ICI to a new low of 145p, larer 146p, a ner 5p off. Burmah Oil, eoother candidate, Burmah Oil, eoother candidate, was already easier after Shell's figures, and closed 6p off at 148p. Lloyd's Bank, another favourire for the rumour mongers, slipped by 5p to 115p, and Grand Metropolitan at 29p Rand Mines (50c) 12†† 8†† — 12†† 8††

S.A. Townships (R1) Fio 40†† 22†† — 65†† 39††

Sungel Besi (20p) Int 3.16 2.14 20/12 — 8.11

Utd City Merchants (10p) Fin 0.48 0.43† — 1.34 1.25†

Wemyss Inv 151 Fin 9.23 7.5 20/12 13.4 14.4±†

B.S. & W. Whiteley (Z5p) Int 0.74 0.37 13/2 — 3.71

Wolstey-Hughes (25p) Fin 3.3 3.15 2/1 6.05 5.77

† Adjusted for scrip. " Two payments. § Deferred. †† Cents a share.

‡‡ Includes extra payment.

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Results for the third quarter

A combination of factors, at Shell were disclosed as soon ranging from the international as the market opened. The fallen to 125p ahead of the statement, th ong some investors. Shell closed a net 1p off at 157p. Other oil shares were additionally unsettled by reports that Kuwait intended to conduce pressing for higher oil prices. BP traded of the future.

Latest dividends

nervously at 272p. In stores, selling of Boots commenced well ahead of the gloom was complered by nine-month figures from Hoover, interim results, with the market which did nothing to restore the suddenly reversing its pre-

Company
(and par values)
Airflow Steamlines (25p)
Alliance Inv (25p) Inr
C. H. Bailey (5p) Fin

Boois (25p) Int
Brit Boroeo (10p) Int
Capper-Neili (10p) Int
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Cement Clarke (25p) Int
Concentric '10p) Fin
Debenhams (25p) Int
Guardian Inv (25p) Int
Head Wrightson (25p) Int
Lyndale Eng (10p) Fin
Mitchell Cotts (25p) Fin
M.Y. Dart (10p) Fin
Int

Rand Mines (50c)

VOLVO QUOTATION

All dividends in new pence or appropriate currencies.

Company Ord Yeat Pay

trading outcome as a warning Debenhams, also reporting first balf experience, dipped 4p to 31p and Marks & Spencer (118p). Gt Universal Stores "A" (104p) also weakened The

Year's Prev

0.14†

industrial sections. Courta 162p). Dunlop Hldgs (3 GKN (143p), Tube Investor (155p) and Hawker Sidd (178p) all closed lower. B iog and construction is turned down on Mr Hea apparent hint of impending strainr on central and government spending. Cement (86p), Tarmac and Tunnel Cement (67p) all witbout supporters. Equity turnover on Novemi was £58m (17,291 harga Active stocks yesterday a ing to Exchange Teleg were ICI. Boots, Burmah O Universal Strs "A", Shell Goldfields, Australian Es

and Slater Walker Securiti Gilts settled down after. recent turbulence. The m was quite strong in the ing, but prices teoded to ti in the afternoon. Profitt may have been partly resible.

"Shorts" opened harder slipped from its best leve eventually close 1/16 harder. Interest centre Treasury 101 per cent which wenr Longs " opened ! point h

but were eventually

Further broki

The latest crop of dis-

up of Stock & Orme. Mes Orme and W. Haslam w

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of the Stock Exchange.

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will continue husiness uod

The partnership at Ar Hope & Co will be dissolv

December 6 and its busine

corporated with that of tagu, Lobel Stanley, Al partners will become asso

Hoblyn & Co, who ba ready announced their in-

to cease trading oo Nov 22, now state that the foll

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reorganized

#### Briefly

CLEMENT CLARKE Turnover for half year, £1.79m £1.58m). Taxable profits. £202,000 £224,000). Dividend is 1.12p

(0.98p). CLRP INVESTMENTS Taxable revenue, £429,000 (£308,000) for 1973-74. Earnings a share, 1.78p (1.43p). Dividend is 1.25p (1.09p). £429,000

SAFEGUARD INDS Pre-tax revenue £476,000 (£415,000) for 1973-74 and dividend is 16.11 per cent gross £13.71 per cent)

AIRFLOW STREAMLINES Sales for half year £2.17m (£2.02m) and pre-tax profits £146,000 (£104,000). Dividend, 1.75p· (1.57p).

NEW THROGMORTON TRUST Net profit eased from £548,000 to £404,000, Earnings a share 0.82p (1.07p).

LDN & PROVINCIAL SHOP

The dividend is 1.26p gross for year to June 30 (against 1.5p for previous 15 months). On anoualised basis this is a five per cent increase. This corrects yesterday's irem.

CANADA CEMENT LAFARGE
5ales increased 15 per cent to
first nine mooths to \$C245.6m
(£104.6m). Profits before extrawere 518.2m ordinary (\$17.1m). items

FARM FEED

As forecast no interim dividend but forecast that total will match last year's 5p. Profits of £62,000 (£91,000) pre-tax.

LMS-NEW RIVER Merger not being referred to Monopolies Commission.

GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER

ALPINE HOLDINGS

H J BALDWIN Report of this Hartley Baird sub-sidiary shows that shareholder's

Board of Pelmadulla is consider ing offers from Company and will be lo touch with shareholders soon. Meanwhile advice Is to take no

YORKSHIRE TAKEOVER
Monarch Machine Tool of Ohio,
has acquired the capital of Dean
Smith & Grace, of Keighley, Yorks, manufacturers of ceotre lathes and founded in 1865.

RACAL ELECTRONICS

All divisions have started year well but forecasting is difficult. Sales are particularly good in sea-side towns, although costs gener-ally are rising.

Pre-tax loss of £87,363 for 12 months to April 30, compared with profit of £54,693. Turoover, £852,652 (£1,626,719). No dividends (1.25p gross). BRITISH STEEL LYE

Acceptances of £6.5m offer for Lye Trading now total 95 per cent of equity, and offer now unconditional; FURNESS WITHY

Scheme for company to luy Houlder Brothers, Houlder Line and Alexander Shipping now approved and goes to cuurt for sanction. HOWARD & WYNDHAM

For a cash sum not to exceed £65,000, group has acquired Wilsoo, Guthrie & Lang, Glasgow, a subsidiary of Gilmour & Dean a subsidia Holdings.

AMBROSE INV Interim pre-tax profits, £194,000 (£168,000). Net asset value a sbare, 3.13p (51.46p). Oivideod, £.51p | 1.28n).

CONTINENTAL UNION

partners and associates wi rioue io active business November 25 (subject proval by the Council): P. Hoblyn, C. Walker, M. t L. Wilson, M. Blanksto Sewell, D. Hoblyn, J. Wal Barnard, Mrs P. Book, G. I Shedden, W. Nicoli a Bayne will be joining Nor

### LMS rebound awaits 1975-76

profitability io 1975-76 were held out to sbareholders of London & Merchant Securities yesterday by Sir Max Rayne, chairman. Last year, pre-tax profits retreated from £6.46m to £5.61m and per-sbare earnings from 2.5p to 0.95p.

Speaking after the annual meeting, he noted that the agreed cash offer for the New River Co, if successful, would Timber has been at an increased level of turnover but at reduced margins, Mr K. Whithy writes. In part this is because of in-creased overhead costs, but in add some some £2.5m to the group's liquidity to a full year. It also meant that LMS could spite of current difficulties the group is confident that given oo market deterioration and a include NR's income of about E425,000 in a full year instead of only net divideods of about stabilization of commodity prices the current term will be success-£96,000 at present.

Three similar situations applied, with the most impor-New capital expenditure last year was over £800,000, a further indication of the group's modernization and improvement Here, Carltoo may raise its stake to 100 per cent in one or more of its offshoots to give LMS an overall 75 per cent. This would The large increases in the enable LMS to consolidate the cost of materials and supply diffigures into its own accounts.

#### ficulties, have led to large rises in stocks and dehtors at Aurora Holdings (formerly Aurora MY Dart over Gear & Eogioeering) io spite of £1m pre-tax stringent management cootrols.

Another buoyant return comes from M. Y. Dart, and for a fourth successive year there are

oo the operations. But orders on record profits. hand remain high, and assuming In the year to June 30 profits rose 36 per cent to £1.05m out of turnover up from £4.2m to £5.1m. This producer of games the current record profit level and sports goods is raising its total dividend from 1.82p to 1.9p. Also, an interim payment nf 0.24p is being paid on account

FITZROY INV
Having slumped from £288,000
to a mere £7.000 profit last time,
Mr D. Mnrgan fears anotherdifficult year. At June 30 the
stake of Messrs. E. Colman, C.
Colman, S. Colman and F. Windridge in aggregate and including
companies they control, was 31.4 for the current period.

The second half produced profits up from £454,000 to £627,000, a rate of growth slightly better than the opening 34.5 per cent. Earnings rose from 4.14p to 4.76p a share.

The board says the current period has started well and prospects will he dealt with in Chairman views future with con-fidence as financial position is strong and growth plans are sound. Profits are ahead. the annual review.

#### Two takeover offers for Craig Tea

HERRBURGER BROOKS
Sustained demand which has conduced since year-end holds prospects for further growth in spite of cost increases, writes Mr J. Campbell Ritchie. Two takeover offers have been received by Craig Tea Estates, whose quotation was cancelled in 1972. One of the offers may be recommended and shareholders are strongly advised by the board to ignore

> Croshy House Group, a sub-sidiary of Ceylon Tea Planta-nons, has proposed 35p a sbare (the par value is £1), putting a total worth on the company of some £42,500. This is being favourably considered by the Craig board. The second, from Dickwella (Holdings), was in the form of a direct approach to members, at 19p a share, with various alternatives. This the board advises shareholders

#### to reject. Whiteley upsurge

With the proviso that out-side factors of the international economic scene could greatly utiluence the second-half, all seems set fair for another record year at B. S. & W. Whiteley. This Yorkshire-based maker nf reports half-time pre-tax profits much more than doubled from 597,000 to 5247,000 and the "net" increased from £46,000 tu £119,000. The "attributable" moved from £46,000 to £103,000, while the interim dividend is up from 0.37p to 0.74p.

#### House of Sears loss

Heavy losses in the second half of its last term to June 30



Sir Max Rayne, chairmao of London & Merchaot Securities: New River offer, if successful, would add about £2.5m to LMS

liquidity in a full year. comparabve profit was £38,500. There was a loss per share of 4.44p (against earnings of 0.81p), and the dividend is

passed again. But this maker of leisure garmeots says the current first quarter showed a recovery to

#### profitable trading. Share bargains sought

by Hill Samuel Trust Hill Samuel Unit Trust in-tends to take advantage of its cash reserves to buy shares at levels "which have not been seen for many years".

Largely hecause of the interest received on the large proportion of the fund held in cash on deposit the interim distribution for the year to March 14 next goes up from 0.615p

#### **Brit-Borneo Petrol**

An interim payment up from 2.31p to 2.59p and profits he-fore tax increased by £95,000 to £358,000 are reported by British-Borneo Petroleum Syndicate.

The company says the Stock Exchange value of its investments, and those of its subsidiaries, at September 30 stood at £5.05m, agaiost £8.27m six months earlier.

#### M. Cotts Transport

Another record year has heeo enjoyed by the Mitchell Cotts Transport company, a 75 per cent controlled subsidiary of Mitchell Cotts Group. Pre-tax profits have risen from £727,000 to 5801,000, while on net profits up from £450,000 to £551,500 up from £450,000 to £517,500, the dividend is being increased from 3.62p to 3.82p. Earnings a hare come out at 7.72p, against

The bnard says that the doubling of the cold storage capacity of the West Kent Cold Storage company near Seven-oaks, will bring henciits progressively over the next 18 months.

#### Macallan-Glenlivet

After repording a peak 1458,000 pre-tax a month ago, Macallar-Glenlivet, malt whisky distillers, expects 1974-75 to he one of high production. But Mr G. C. Harbinson, chairman, gives a warning in his annual state-ment thet the financial progress which should result from this will probably be restricted by the reduction in percentage

creditors from £10,000 to £314,000. Debtors at the same time rose from £275,000 to £594,000 and stock £595,000 to £857,000. Lyndale hots up opening pace

## Things were bounding aloog at Lyodale Eogioeering after six months when profits already exceeded fourfold the compar-

able longer period. This situation worked through to June 30 with pre-tax profits for the year surgiog almost fivefold from £101,000 to £485,000. Turnover advanced from £2.07m to

E5.35m.

The "net", after extraordinary items (nil against £36,000), was £211,000 compared with £21,000. Earnings per share come out at 5.28p against 1.92p.
Meanwhile the year's payment is increased from 1.5p to

#### Park Yorkshire offer result

The takeover bid by Lubok Iovesements for up to 1.19m ordinary of Park Yorkshire Holdings has been accepted by holders of some 447,000 shares. The offer bas oow closed, with Lubok owning some 847,000 sbares, about 26.7 per ceor.
As already known, Mr Jim Slater will become chairman of Park Yorksbire, with two other Lubok directors appointed to the board. Mr Thomas Kenny, chairman of Grimshawe Hold-ings (which last month sold about half its stake—12.6 per cent—to Lubok) becomes

#### Problems continue for Selebi Pikwe

deputy chairman.

Botswana RST's 85 per cent owned Selebi-Pikwe nickel and copper project is continuing to meet severe and expensive technical prinhlems. The costs are being borne by the major share-polders Amar Apale Amarianholders, Amax. Anglo American and Charter Consolidated and their associates.

Because of this expenditure, it bas been decided to shelve the proposed soda ash and salt project. Makgadikgadi Soda, until Selebi-Pikwe's problems have been solved and produc-tion targets substantially achieved.

#### Sungei Besi earns and pays more

Sungei Besi Mines, the Selan gor tin producer, has seen its nei profits for the six months to end September soar from £104,000 to £360,000. And shareholders will receive the maximum permissible increase in dividends with a paymenr of 3.16p gross (2.14p).

#### RMP profits double

Pre-tax profits of Rand Mines Properties virtually doubled last year—from R1.73m to R3.43m—while earnings advanced from 13c tn 26.1c a share. Turnover rose from R10.6m to R25.8m thanks largely to the higher gold price and to the acquisition of the Thesen Umber business.

ABERCORN GEN INV

Taxable profit last one E276,000 (£261,000). Earnings 4,26p (6.54p)

JAS WALKER GOLOSMITH
A record Christmas is seen and plunged House of Sears into a profit margins.

A record Christmas is seen a deficit of £166,000 pre-tax. The The balance sheet shows that board is optimistic about 1975.

### **Business** appointments

### Mr Klijnstra's Unilever boards

Mr G. D. A. Klijnstra is to redre as chairman of Unilever NV and as vice-chairman of Unilever Ltd. He will also retire from both boards. His successor is Mr H. F. van den Hoven.

Mr B. I. Pitman, an assistant general manager of Lloyds Bank, has been appointed a joint general

manager.

Mr T. J. Gliligan, managing director of Pitney Bowes, becomes vice-president of European operations. Other European appointments in a recent reorganization include Mr H. D. Fischer, director of Ousiness planning; Mr J. D. B. Kerby, director of markeong and Mr J. S. Menser director of finance. Mr R. E. Williams becomes assistant managing director responsible for markeong and for responsible for marketing and

Pollowing the acquisidon of the British Bank of Commerce by National and Grindlays, Mr J. M. G. Andrews, chief executive of Brandr's, has been appointed chairman of British Baok of Commerce. Mr R. F. Baum, a director of Brandr's, also joins the board.

Dr Paul Cover has been appointed director-general of the staff department at the National Coal Board headquarters in London. Mr John Peyton, Conservadve MP Ior Yeovil, is to become chair-man of Texas Instruments.

Mr Roger Laphsm, Jr, Oecomes chairman and managing director and Mr David Metralfe deputy chairman of Rama Corporation, Mr James Goldsmith, Mr John Smith, Mr Louis Sherwood and Mr John aurion Tigrett have joined the Ooard.

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Mr. L. H. Hoare has been elected president of the Insolute of Chartered Shipbrokers.

Mr. G. A. Rowley Oas Oeen appointed chairman and managing director of Symonds Engineering. Mr. L. J. Riley joins the board.

Mr. Scott Douthett has become managing director and chief executive officer of Glendinning Europe.

Mr. John Hogarth Jolins the board of EMI Film Distributors as director of UK distribution. Mr. Michael Bromhead becomes director of overseas distribution.

Mr. A. Ross Belch, managing director of the Scott Lithgow Group, has been elected president of the Solipbulders and Repairers Natinnal Association.

Mr. Rohert Boardman, managing director of Brintex Exhibitions has been appointed chalifman. Mr. C. P. Garrett becomes managing director and chief executive. New members of the management company board are Miss M. Barnes, Mr. F. V. Harrison, Mr. P. D. Mirrington, Mr. J. C. W. Northover and Mr. R. A. West.

Mr. Jim Cupples has Oeen made managing director, Mr. Frank Bell, sales markedog director and Mr. Trevor Egan a non-executive director of Formaster and is to be chairman. Mr. F. G. Bullimore, Mr. C. D. Elliott, Mr. E. G. Eve, Mr. L. J. N. B. Jameson and Mr. O. H. Wearing, formerly of Gull & Co., stockbrokers, will be associated with Walter, Walker & Co, as from November 11.

Mr. Nigel Cutts has been made design director by Office Planning.

MAYNARDS

Sales £571m for quarier ended September 30—up 16 per cent. Net profit for quarter up 80.7 per cent to £22.7m. Nine-month sales totalled £1,648.6m [£1,456.9m) and net profit £67.9m (£55.4m). NORTHBOROUGH INVESTMENT

Messrs A. Dyer, H. Singer and M. Stoller of Alpine bave each sold 100,000 shares and their bene ficial holdings are now 1.55m shares (15.51 per cent) in each

planned resolution not to reappoint Stanley Blythen as auditors will be opposed by hoard. JAMES WARREN

#### Pre-tax revenue for half year, E541,000 (E520,000). Net asset value a share, 57p (90p). Dividend, 0.84p 10.8p). For about £200,000, company acquired BPL (Instrumeors).

### **Debenhams Limited**

INTERIM STATEMENT

The profit of the Group attributable to Ordinary Shareholders was £11,000 for the 28 weeks to 17th August, 1974, compared with £2,543,000 for the comparable period in 1973. The Directors have declared an interim dividend of 1.424p per share (amounting to £1,137,077) payable on 2nd January, 1975 to Shareholders on the Register on 22nd November, 1974. This dividend, with the related tax credit represents a gross dividend of 2.125p par share, or 81%, equivalent to the two interim dividends paid in 1973.

	28 weeks to 17th August 1974	28 weeks to 11th August 1973	53 weeks to 2nd Feb. 1974
	£000	£000	£ <b>00</b> 0
Sales excluding VAT	116,599	107,145	227,263
Trading Profit before Interest Less:—Interest	3,381 3,861	6,101 2,052	14,824 4,679
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Profit before Taxation Taxation	.112 58	5,197 2,611	10,811 5,432
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those relating to subsidiaries acquired during that period. In view of the deteriorating economic conditions at the beginning of the year, the Board decided that the maintenance of a good liquidity position was of

at the average rate for the last financial year in raspect of the comparative

2. The results for the first 28 weeks in 1973 have been emended to include

primary importance. In pursuance of this policy, e stock reduction programme was initiated which involved heavy markdowns and therefore inevitably had an adverse effect on the profits for the first half year. However, as a result of its implementation and of other steps taken to improve liquidity, the group has ample resources

available to meet its foreseeable requirements. The sale and leaseback of the Company's headquarters building at 1/2 Welbeck Street, for over £6 m., hes elready been announced and further negotiations are being pursued with a view to reducing still further the Company's short term indebtedness.

half year period in 1973.

In recent weeks the benefits of a major cost reduction programme have bagun to be apparent. Moreover, trading results have shown an improvement and satisfactory sales are now being achieved by the Stores where major rebuilding end refurbishment schemes have been completed, such as Debanhams (previously Marshall & Snelgrove) in Oxford Street and at Plymouth, Southampton, Bournemouth and Oxford.

It is not practicable in current conditions to make a reliable forecast of the results of the Company's trading for the full financial year, but in the light of all the information which is at present available to them, the Directors have, as stated above, decided to maintain the interim dividend at 81%.

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#### TANGANYIKA -CESSIONS LIMITED

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#### **Commodities**

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Total supplies for the week ending November 9 are estimated by the Ministry of Agriculture at 10,650 tens. Compared with p final figure of 10,570 tens for supplies in the previous week. GO.FFES.—Robusta futures moved irrogularly yesterday afternoon after a secdy opening but the overall brand was easier as tens floutdation and some dealer selling saw buyers back away on a scale down basis. At the close of a scale down basis. At the close years were 1.50 lewer to 24.50 higher. There were reports circulating the Uganda Board had recently sold coffee at around 48 comes per pound into for Jan-March suppment. Arabicas held strady, 50 to 145 points higher. Robustas closed alightly easier.—Nov. £447.0-49.0 a long ton; Jan. £453.0-50.0; July, £460.0-51.D; Sept. £459.5-60.0; July, £460.0-51.D. Sales. 861 lets. rant cossi. A long ion, of UK unless stated.

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### Japanese copper smelters' plea for government aid

Tokyo, Nov 7.—Jspanese copper smelters are urging the government to put up more than 100,000m Yen (about £144m) at once to fivance

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Industry sources said last month
that Japan was expected to bave
a surplus of over 400,000 tonnes
of copper in the current financial
year.

The ministry has revealed that Japan exported between 250,000 and 270,000 tonnes of electrolytic

and 270,000 tonnes of electrolytic copper to Europe and the United States between February and October this year, wheo the ban came into force.

According to the ministry, Mr Mohutu 5eso 5eko, Zaire's president recently expressed his dissatisfaction at the large Japanese

Tokyo, Nov 7.—Japanese copper smelters are urging the government to put up more than 100,000m Yen (about £144m) at once to finance their stockpiles of copper ore, concentrates and electrolytic copper, industry sources said today.

They said the "emergency funds" were needed now that the Ministry of Internadonal Trade and Indostry bad stopped issuing copper export beences for an indefinite period.

The ministry's ban followed mounting criticism from copper producing computes that Japanese copper exports bad caused the recept slump on the international market.

Japan's copper exports had been severely restricted, but lost February the trade ministry sancdoned sales abroad again to redoce the copper surplus ai home caused by the domesoc business slump.

Industry sources when to copper work in Ministry sources bere said it was true that Japanese exports had caused a drop in prices on the world copper market, but this was not the only factor in the market's recent dechuse.

Japan's sales abroad had attracted mode because Japan had previously been one of the world's major importers of copper.

Lima, ferm.—The, world has enough copper reserves to meet demand after the year 2,000, according to a report submitted by United States delegates to the World Mining Congress.

The report, by Professor Sbeldon Wimpfen and Mr Alvin Knoerr, of the United States Bureau of Mines, estimates the world's known copper reserves at 393 million tonnes and says they are adequate for another 60 years.

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with the united States Bureau of Mines, estimates the world's known copper reserves at 393 million tonnes and says they are adequate for another 60 years.

"The so-called copper crisis is only a question of price fluctuations," Professor Wimpfen told Reuter. "We don't foresee a shortage of copper to the future." According to the report, developing nations own 45.8 per cent of the world copper reserves. The United States and Western European industrialized nations have 27.8 per cent, while the socialist block's percentage is 12.8. Another 12.8 per cent belong to Australia, Canada, Israel, New Zealand and South Africa. China is said to own 0.8 per cent.—Reuter.

### Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

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#### Foreign Exchange

Dollar again weak

Foreign exchanges had quite a bosy day yesterday, with the main cature again the weakness of the dollar. It lost ground against all the major Continental currencies,

but particularly against the Swiss franc and the dentsche mark.

The market was unsettled by the large Democratic wins in the Congressional elections.

The pound moved with the dollar. It was finally 5 points down on the day, closing at \$2,3470, but in active trading conditions the

#### and what could possibly be done to bring the price down ", he added. —Reuter. Money Market

rate had fluctuated from \$2.3520 to \$2.3455 to the morning.

There was some profit-taking in gold which closed at \$1784, down \$1 on the day. The metal price has still pot touched its all-time

peak and, although there were quotations above \$180, neither the morning our afternoon fixing was at or above this level.

Washington.—The Council on Wage and Price Smbility has set November 25 as the date for its hearings on increases in the price of sugar, council director Mr Albert Rees said.

"The price of sugar bas tripled over the last year and we are interested in finding out what factors have caused this increase and what could possibly be done to

Sugar price hearings

Discount market The Bank of England yesterday intervened to offset a large shortage in the discount market by buying Treasury bills from discount bouses and banks and municipal anthority bills from houses, market sources said. Rates

antiority bills from houses, market sources said.

Apart from the Bank's assistance, the only other factor apparently pumping money into the market was an inflow of notes. Funds were drained from the system by a net take-up of Treasury Bills, an excess of Exchequer receipts nver Government disbursements, and settlements of official sales of rills. ments of official sales of giltseded stock, the sources added.
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### Wall Street

New York, Nov 7 .- Wall Street prices moved moderately higher early today. At noon the Dow Jones industrial average was 3.20 up at 672.32.

Yesterday the Dow Jones industrial sverage dropped 5.63 10 669.12. Volume totalled 23,930,000 compared with 15,960,000 on

NY silver up limit

New York. Nov 6.—COMEX SILVER folures closed very strong up 26.DOc in the apol month and the 20.000 into the post month and the 20.000 into the post months. Trading in Nov. 1974. excaded volume in the other months, which were locked in at the upper limits. At ine clese there were about 850 bids to at the limit pain. Nov. 505.50c; Oec. 303.00c; July. 529.50c; Sept. 536.50c; July. 529.50c; Sept. 536.50c; July. 529.50c; Sept. 536.50c; July. 529.50c; Sept. 536.50c; July. 529.50c; March. 554.60c; Jun. 548.50c; March. 554.60c; Mandy and Harman SU Canada. Canadian \$4.98; Canadian \$4.86; Reminal Solution of the soluti 59.50c. —Futures riosed stightly off COTTON. —Futures riosed stightly off the lows, down about 0.75c. Velume estimated at 1.700 contracts. Dec. 15.86c March. 44.50c; May. 45.40-45.50c; July 45.65-46.70c; Oct. 48.60-48.70c; Occ. 49.40-49.60c; March. 49.90c.

15.85c Marth. 16.65-46.70c Oct. 48.60-49.70c; Oct. 49.40-49.50c; March. 49.70c; Oct. 49.40-49.50c; March. 49.70c; Oct. 49.40-49.50c; March. 49.70c; Oct. Gresse wool and crossered fultures riosed with minor changes. GREASE WOOL.—Spol. 130.0c nominal: Rec. 128.0c; March. 130.5-136.0c; March. 130.5-136.0c; March. 130.5-136.0c; Dec. 131.0c; March. 130.0c; CROSSARGO. 129.0-135.0c; Oct. 130.5c; Dec. 131.0c; March. 76.5-77.0c; Oct. 77.5-77.0c; Oct. 77.5-77.0c; Oct. 74.0-79.5c; March. 77.5c; Mar Olani. Seaspan
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The Times Share Indices The 71mon Stare Indices for 07.11.74 (base date June 2, 1864 original base data June 2, 1860).

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**Spot Position** of Sterling

**Forward Levels** 

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### RAND SELECTION CORPORATION LIMITED

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(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa) DECLARATION OF FINAL DIVIDEND NO. 115

Nonce is bereby given that dividend No. 115 of 40 cepts a share (1973: 35 cents) being the final dividend for the year ended 30th September, 1974, has been declared being the final dividend for the year ended 30th September, 1974, has been declared payable to shareholders registered to the books of the corporation at the close of busioess on 22nd November, 1974, and to persons presenting coopoo No. 118 detached from share warrants to bearer. This dividend, together with the interim dividend of 30 cents a share declared on 29th May, 1974 makes a total of 70 cents a share for the year (1973: 52.5 cents). A notice regarding payment of dividends on coupon No. 118 detached from share warrants to bearer will be published in the press by the Loodon secretaries of the corporation on or about 15th November, 1974.

The transfer registers and registers of members will be closed from 23rd November to 6th December, 1974, both days inclusive, and warrants will he posted from the Johanneshurg and United Kingdom offices of the transfer secretaries on or about 19th December, 1974. Registered shareholders paid from the United Kingdom will receive the United Kingdom supposed from the United Kingdom supposed from the United Kingdom will receive

December, 1974. Registered shareholders paid from the United Kingdom will receive the United Kingdom currency equivalent on 10th Decamber, 1974 of the rend value of their dividends, (lass appropriate taxes). Any such shareholders may, bowever, elect to be paid in South African currency, provided that the request is received at the offices of the corporation's transfer secretaries in Johanneshurg or in the United Kingdom op or before 22nd Novamber, 1974.

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The effective rate of non-resident sharebolders' tax is 14.7495 per cent.

The dividend is payable subject to conditions which can be inspected at the head so and London offices of the corporation and also at the offices of the corporation's transfer secretaries in Johannesburg and the United Kingdom.

Subject to final sudit, the ahridged consolidated income statement of the corporation's transfer and the divided consolidated income statement of the corporation.

tinn and its subsidiaries for the year ended 30th September, 1974 and the abridged consolidated balance sheet at that date, are as follows:

#### CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

·	1974 R000's	1973 R000's
Investment income	49 412	32 488
Net operating income: Finance Property, interest and other sources	906 2 899	2 427
Surplus on realisation of investments	3 805 1 212	2 427 2 164
	54 429	37 099
Deduct: Administration expenses Interest paid	1 933 6 714	1 338 5 859
Prospecting Provision against loans	1 705 500	1 532 315
Provision against investment and amounts written off investments	1 155	1 590
	12 007	26 465
Taxanoo and deferred taxanon	41 665	331 26 134
Add: Surplus, after providing for taxation, attributable to:	71 003	20 134
Life sasurance Banking	2 759 1 121 3 880	
Profit after taxation Deduct: Minority interesr	45 54S	26 134
Group profit attributable to Rand Selection Corporation Limited	43 910	231 25 903
Deduct: Appropriations	[]	7
Dividend No. 114 of 30 cents per sbare Dividend No. 115 of 40 cents per share	10 335 16 678	5 957 11 916
Total dividends of 70 cents per sbare (1973: 52) ceots per share)  Transfer to reserves	27 013 11 598	17 873 7 473
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Unappropriated profit—30th September, 1973	5 299 3 967	557 3 3 58
Adjustment thereto arising from changes in currency exchange rates	75	52
Unappropriated profit—30th September, 1974	9 341	3 410
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rain district and the	1974 R000's	1973 R000's
Issued share capital Share premium Nop distributable reserve	20 848 210 846 785	17 023 109 700
Distributable reserves	95 974	778 78 913
Loan capital	328 453 66 148	206 414 62 694
companies Ynsurance funds Provision for deferred taxation	31 848 294 105	2 155
Loans:	1 340	808
Secured Unsecured Subsidiary company not consolidated	24 541 1 142 440	
Bank overdrafts and other borrowings	29 555 55 678	
Banking customers' current, deposit and other accounts including reserve for cooringencies	302 965	
Creditors: Shareholders for dividend Other	16 678 41 996	11 916 8 386
Acceptances and guarantees	58 674 69 431	20 302
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Represented by: Investments (Refer note 2 below) Securities:		
Listed Market value R784 310 000 (1973: R689 482 000)	188 033 80 676	173 063
	268 709	74 989 248 052
Life assurance Banking Subsidiary company not consolidated	323 400 46 359 13 073	=
Land and property  Mortgage and other loans less provisions	9 297 28 102	17 102
Premises, mineral rights and equipment	688 940 14 176	265 154 5 158
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The attributable earnings of these new controlled subsidiary companies (excluding SEI) since the dates they became subsidiaries heve heen included in the group profit. Earnings per share, adjusted to reflect that profits from the new subsidiary

profit. Earnings per share, adjusted to reflect that profits from the new subsidiary companies were received for only a portion of the year, amounted to 113.6 cents (1973)

76.1 cents).

2. Investments beld by the life assurance and banking subsidiaries bave been valued in accordance with the practice of life assurance and banking companies. Any net difference between market values and such values of listed securities is not

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7th November, 1974.

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### **London & County is** worse off than ever **\_£15m** first-half loss

By Our Financial Staff

Ao ioterim report to depositors in London & County L.\_\_ cuitepsed almost e year ego, shows that it lost some £15m io the first six months of the

current year. Loodon & County, of which the Bank of Eogland and First National Finance are joint owners, has been receiving sub-stantial support from the Bank of England's rescue machinery set up when crisis engulfed the eecondary banking sector.

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This, and the deterioration revealed to the interim report, which contains further provisions of £17m against edvances eod investments following the collapse in stock market and property values, demonstrates that the position, both for Loodon & County as well as the othet "fringe" banks teceiving support, is far more serious then annicipated at first.

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#### **Overseas**

#### Hesse bank overhaul

Frenkfurt, Nov 7.—The Ländesbank of Hesse (Helabe) will make a series of constitutional changes from January 1 to divide more clearly administrative and executive functionn and to bring io more manegement expertise.

follow These plans follow the resignation of its former president, Wilhelm Hankel, last December, write-offs in 1973 estimated at ebout DM800m (ahout £133m), snd Helsbe's withdrawal from the Geneva Banque de Credit Inter-Banque de Credit inici-nationele.

The manegement board, com-

prising equal representation from the State of Hesse, savings hank association and employees, will be chaired for alternatiog two-year terms by the State's Finance Ministet and e savings' bank representative.—Reuter.

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Bid Offer Yield

#### Krupp sees steel

#### market easing

Krupp, the German steel works, sees future prospects as unfavourable, with a declining sales volume, higher material costs end increased wage bills, reports Reuter from Bochum.

However, the interim report said its profits position in the first nine months of this year developed favourably.

The company said that seles hudgets of the major German steel processors indicate that no opturo in domestic demend can be expected sbort-term. Export demand is falliog to more nor-mal levels with a downturn in incoming orders expected in the fourth quarter. Krupp will reduce production correspondingly in the coming months in some rolled-steel plants.

TOYOTA MOTOR' . Interim profit after tax 5,819m yen (6,379m) on sales of 783,200m yen (718,500m).

WASHINGTON INV Gross income for three months, £151.000 (£123,000). Earnings a share, 0.62p (0.39p). Net asset value e share 29p (80p).

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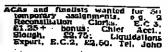
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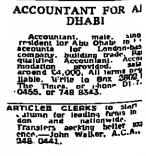
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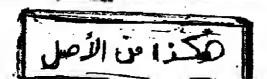
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The figures most favourable to first-time huyers he had seen on the subject from a huilding enciety, he said, had shown that 55 per cent of successful applicants by number had been first-time huyers, eaving 45 per cent who already had a house.

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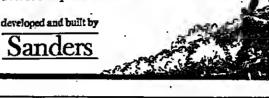
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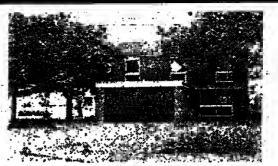
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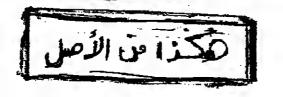
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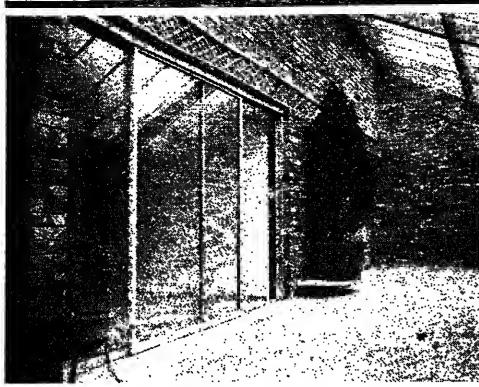
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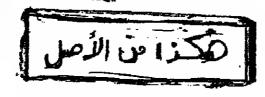


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